



Howe resists MPs' calls for sanctions

Sir Geoffrey Howe defied the growing clamour in the Commons and reaffirmed the Government's opposition to all-out economic sanctions.

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Government yesterday resisted the growing clamour from Commonwealth countries, leaders of the opposition political parties and many of its own backbenchers to commit itself to sterner economic measures against South Africa.

But his difficulties and the Government's dilemma were immediately exposed in a speech by Mr Francis Pym, the former Foreign Secretary, who called on the Government to take a "positive lead" in drawing up the measures.

serious extension of economic measures. The majority of them would be prepared to vote against any legislation required.

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Equality pledge to rebel pit union

By Peter Davenport

The Government is planning new legislation to guarantee the rights of members of the Union of Democratic Mineworkers in all negotiating structures of the coal industry.

The legislation will be included in the Coal Industry Bill due to go before the next session of Parliament unless the NUM changes its position.

Delegates at the conference yesterday repeatedly expressed their anger that 6,000 of the union's claimed 34,500 members have still not received the £5.50 pay settlement agreed last November.

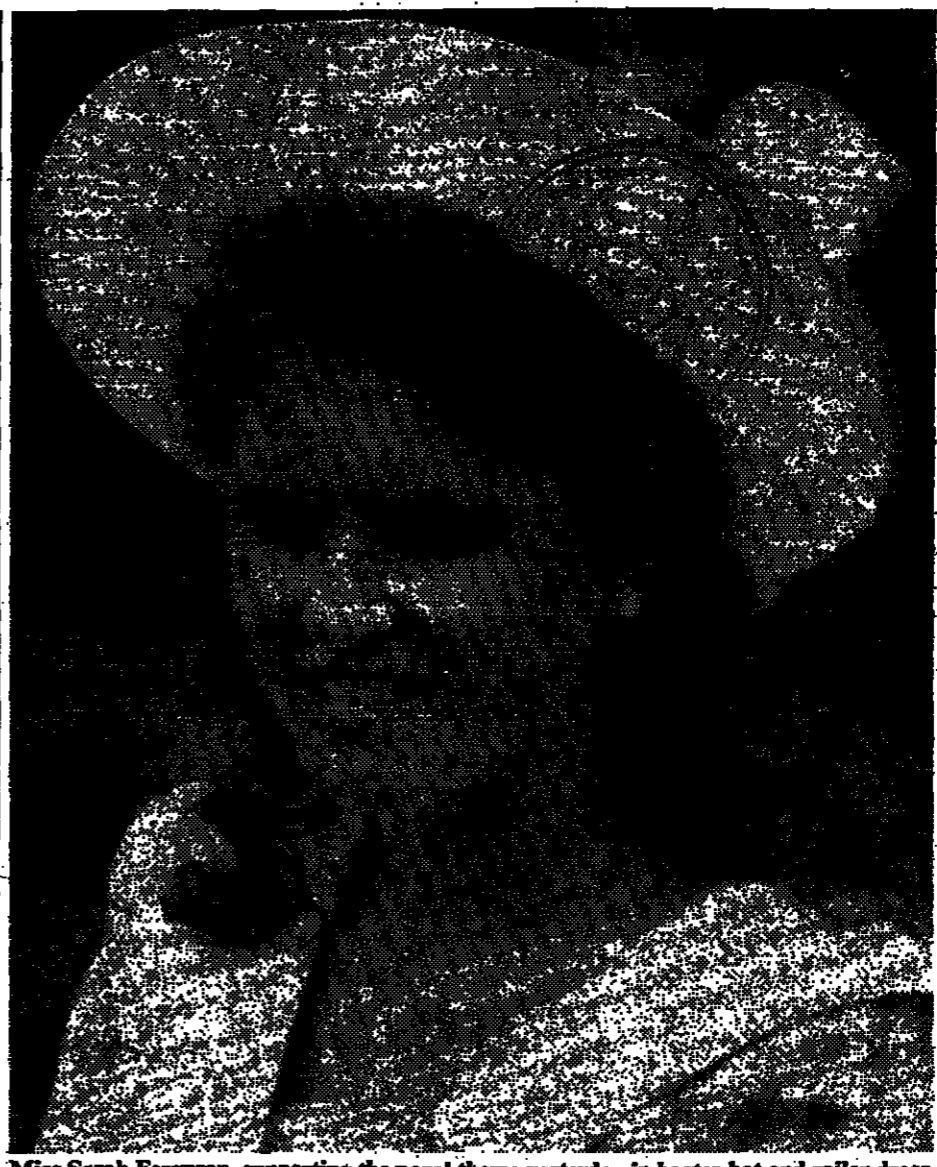
A decision of the High Court is awaited on a British Coal action to clear the way to paying the award to all UDM members.

Mr Hunt made it clear that the question of pay was a matter between British Coal and the union. However, he went on to outline plans for new legislation that would guarantee the UDM equal rights with the NUM.

Mr Hunt added, to applause from delegates: "I can assure you that this Government will not stand by and watch a democratic trade union's fight for fair representation fail. It is outrageous, an affront to natural justice, if substantial bodies of mine workers cannot be represented in the industry's institutions by the trade union of their choice. If the matters cannot be satisfactorily resolved by negotiation, then it is the Government's duty to step in."



Mr David Hunt shares UDM's frustrations



Miss Sarah Ferguson, supporting the naval theme yesterday in boater hat and sailor dress at Ascot (Photograph: Suresh Karadia). Family album, page 20.

Anglo-Irish talks expose tensions in Unionist ranks

By Richard Ford

The sixth meeting of the joint Anglo-Irish inter-governmental conference took place yesterday, demonstrating both governments' determination that the agreement remain and the impotence of Unionist protests.

Despite loud calls from the Rev Ian Paisley for "massive demonstrations" of solidarity in towns across the province, the response was sporadic with fewer than 1,000 people attending a meeting outside Belfast City Hall.

Mr Paisley's call for the mobilization of "loyalists" on the streets of Ulster was greeted with scepticism by Mr James Molyneux, leader of the Official Unionists, who warned that Unionists would have to consider very carefully such a course of action and the dangers involved.

Madrid urged to reassure tourists

From Richard Wigg Madrid

The need for British holidaymakers in Spain to have "timely and accurate" information about Eta bomb attacks and other safety risks was emphasized by Mr Timothy Eggar, Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, when he met reporters here yesterday.

On a four-day visit here, he is looking into the safety of British tourists. He spent an hour discussing the issue with Señor José Barrionuevo, the Spanish Interior Minister.

More official information, suitably translated, should be made available, Mr Eggar suggested, so that British tourists "do not have to wait for the English papers to arrive two days late before they hear what's happening".

In the light of the criticisms about British press reporting, voiced by a British tour operator and some British residents on the Costa del Sol during his visit, Mr Eggar's remarks represent a vindication of the media's role.

He repeated his view that the rash of bombs planted by Eta, the Basque terrorist organization, should not cause anyone to change holiday plans and added: "I am coming to holiday here in Spain this year myself."

Turning to the problems of drugs, Mr Eggar announced that Spain and Britain would be increasing the exchange of specialist personnel in order to step up the fight against drug trafficking.

In the field of public safety, improved street lighting and interpreters at police stations in holiday resorts were among the practical measures taken by Spain which had impressed him, the minister said.

Mr Eggar praised the Spaniards for having reduced the level of street crimes but those involving break-ins remained "a major problem", he said.

Reflecting discreetly his evident concern after visiting a Marbella hotel where a bomb had caused serious damage, Mr Eggar said he had received an assurance from the Interior Minister that there was no policy against evacuating guests from hotels which were the victims of bomb threats.

Mr Eggar expressed the British Government's "deep regret at a terrorist outrage on hearing of the lunchtime murder yesterday of two Spanish Army officers and their driver in Madrid, presumably by Eta gunmen.

Police made harmless early yesterday a bomb placed in a bedroom cupboard of the Meliá Don Pepe Hotel, in Marbella, after a warning call. It was the second five-star hotel in the resort to become the target of Eta's summer terror campaign.

Naval tip a winner for Ascot

By Suzy Menkes

A naval theme predominated in the Royal Enclosure at Ascot yesterday with the Queen and Miss Sarah Ferguson both sporting jaunty boaters and sailor-style dresses.

The Princess of Wales was in a quiet fashion mood in her trim coat dress and dotted cream hat. Princess Anne chose a deeper batterscotch and wore yet another crisp straw boater, softened with a net veil.

Princess Margaret in floral pink and blue, and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother in apricot and sky blue silk chiffon were the only members of the Royal Family to say it with flowers.

The rest of the racegoers were staging a remake of My Fair Lady. Black and white, spotted, striped or graphically patterned, was the favourite racing combination with the capacity crowd. A rash of spots, from coin-sized polka dots to tiny specks, appeared on dresses, jackets, shoes and even earrings.

Lester Piggott, 11 times champion jockey, won as a trainer when his first Royal Ascot runner Cutting Blade took yesterday's Coventry Stakes. Cash Assmusen, an American jockey, rode Cutting Blade.

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Tomorrow Part of the union



Bernard Levin finds a lack of vision and understanding among Britain's union leaders

Portfolio Gold

The £8,000 prize in yesterday's Portfolio Gold competition, double the usual amount because there was no winner the previous day, was shared by two readers, Mr John B Stanley of New Brighton, Merseyside, and Mr Charles Dunton of Paignton, Devon.

Jobs plea

The Government should give a job guarantee to anyone out of work for more than three years and launch a pilot scheme offering a year's work to long-term unemployed, a Commons committee recommends

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Pretoria says 11 blacks died

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

The South African Government claimed yesterday that it had successfully thwarted a planned campaign of violence by the outlawed African National Congress (ANC) on Wednesday, the 10th anniversary of the 1976 Soweto uprising.

Brigadier Leon Mellet, the chief spokesman for the Bureau for Information, now virtually the only source of information about unrest which can be published legally, reported at his daily press conference that 11 blacks died in "unrest-related" incidents in the 24 hours up to 6 am yesterday.

Four of the deaths were caused, he said, when the police took action against rioters and petrol-bomb throwers in various parts of the country. The rest were blacks presumed to have been killed by other blacks.

There had been no deaths in Soweto, he said. Independent verification of government claims is severely limited by the emergency regulations in force since last Thursday.

All journalists are forbidden to enter any black residential area, or any other area where there is "unrest", and no "news or comment" on the activity of the security forces can be published without police approval.

Hardliner named as US top judge

From Michael Binyon, Washington

President Reagan yesterday announced that Chief Justice Warren Burger, who has headed the US Supreme Court for the past 17 years, has retired.

In his place Mr Reagan nominated Associate Justice William Rehnquist, 61, a leading conservative. He also appointed Judge Antonin Scalia to fill the vacant seat on the court.

Late US rescue bid for Nimrod confirmed

By Nicholas Wood, Political Reporter

The US company Grumman is among six contractors who have submitted bids for the £1 billion Nimrod airborne early warning aircraft project, the Ministry of Defence confirmed yesterday.

Other contenders include GEC Avionics and two more US firms - Boeing and Lockheed - Mr John Lee, Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, told the Commons.

Jimmy Carter after the big fish in Wales

Mr Jimmy Carter, the former US President, cast aside American fears of terrorists in Britain yesterday to go fishing in Wales.

He spent the day on a boat armed with a fly-fishing rod in search of rainbow and brown trout at Llyn Clywedog reservoir near Llanidloes in the Cambrian Mountains during his first visit to Wales.

Delay on Ordnance sell-off

By Teresa Poole

The Government has postponed the £150 million-£200 million privatization of Royal Ordnance, the state-owned arms manufacturer, which was scheduled for next month.

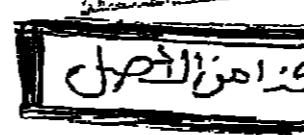
The decision not to proceed with the planned public offer of shares comes in the wake of protests from rival arms contractor, Vickers, that Royal Ordnance was set to win a £100 million order for Challenger tanks which had not been put out to competitive tender by the Ministry of Defence.

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Justice Burger, aged 78, who was appointed as Chief Justice by President Nixon in 1969, said he wanted to devote himself full-time to the preparations for the 200th anniversary of the US constitution next year.

Advertisement for Allied Dunbar financial services, including booklets on financial options and insurance. Text: "If you die... or if you don't these two booklets set out your financial options." Includes contact information for Allied Dunbar.



Alliance split threatens over approach to nuclear energy

By Sheila Gann, Political Staff

The Liberals and Social Democrats could face another damaging split next month over the strength of their commitments to a non-nuclear energy policy.

A campaign launched by the Liberals yesterday, calling for the phasing out of reliance on nuclear power, will force their SDP partners to pursue a similar policy if a clash is to be avoided.

The SDP does not have a comprehensive nuclear energy policy. A group chaired by Mr Leslie Murphy, a party trustee and former chairman of the National Enterprise Board, is working on a policy document. It is expected to be published next month and will go to the party's annual conference in Harrogate in September.

A recent SDP environment policy document called for the problem of nuclear waste disposal to be solved before any large expansion in the nuclear industry. While not backing pressurized water reactors during the 1983 general election campaign, supporters were more enthusiastic about the potential of advanced gas-cooled reactors.

Yesterday Mr Malcolm Bruce, the Liberals' energy spokesman, emphasized his party's traditional distrust of nuclear energy. The energy industry, he said, had become dominated by an obsessive and irrational commitment to nuclear power.

While the other parties were divided on the issue, the Liberals had always maintained a coherent and consistent policy, he said. The Chernobyl disaster and leaks at British power stations had given them better opportunities to promote their policy.

Mr David Steel, the party leader, said that nuclear power had been put forward as the easy and obvious answer to the energy problem.

"Yet we now know that there are no easy answers, that generating power from the atom has inescapable problems of its own. Far from offering us a short cut into a

regime of clean, cheap energy production and the continuation of a high-energy society for generations to come, it may actually be the poisoned apple that will finally destroy us.

"So while we support further research in the nuclear industry, including the disposal of waste, we do not support new nuclear power production at Sizewell or anywhere else". The campaign will call for:

- Abandoning the PWR programme;
- Phasing out the oldest Magnox reactors;
- Better energy insulation;
- More research into wind, water and other alternative energy sources;
- More research into cleaner ways of burning coal and oil to avoid creating acid rain;
- A full investigation into the health of those living near nuclear power stations;
- Better monitoring of radioactive leaks.

Mr Jim Wallace, the Liberals' chief whip, said that parliamentary tactics would be used to get debates on better safety measures and more information.

Mr Tony Benn, the former Labour Energy Secretary, yesterday warned his colleagues against toning down their opposition to nuclear energy. The phasing out of nuclear power must not become "reducing our dependence on nuclear power", he said.

The Labour Party is divided on the issue. Many share the Liberals' distrust of nuclear energy, but this has been balanced by trade union and constituency concerns. There have been recent calls for the replacement of Dr John Cunningham as the party's environment spokesman as, with Sellafield in his constituency, he has not opposed nuclear energy.

Mr Benn said: "It is clear that if we maintain a campaign inside and outside the party we shall succeed in getting a two-thirds majority at this year's conference for the phasing out of nuclear power, building on the 1985 decision".

Kinnock in call for education cash boost

Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, yesterday called for substantial new investment in education to improve opportunities for Britain's young people.

He told a seminar in London of parents' representatives, teachers' leaders and local education authorities, organized by the Labour Party, that action must be taken to create freedom and fairness.

"Without free education available to all at the highest possible quality, freedom itself is confined. There is little fairness unless all children have that chance," Mr Kinnock said.

Schools were under pressure because of the "arbitrary and disadvantageous effects" of a real reduction in resources and the need for modernization and reform of the curriculum. Mr Kinnock described education as "the absolute precondition for economic progress and social survival" and urged the seminar members to achieve a consensus on best practice in schools to bring future improvement.

The party would hold similar meetings in other parts of Britain, he said, and he hoped that a similar forum for monitoring and advising on the education service might be established under a Labour government.

Mr Giles Radice, Labour's education spokesman, said that Labour was the only political party which "because of its contacts and resources" could convene a meeting of parent, teacher and local authority representatives at national level.

But the party leadership was sharply questioned by some of the 80 representatives on the detailed education plans of a Labour government. In the past, Mr Radice has called for big new resources for nursery, primary and higher education without reference to precise figures.

Beverley Anderson, a lecturer at Oxford Polytechnic and a former TV presenter, told Mr Kinnock: "You have to tell us how much money they will cost and how much will go on our taxes and rates. If you do not, we will not take you seriously."

In reply, Mr Kinnock declined to mention specific costings or priorities, but promised: "We will tell the truth and act in pursuit of honest and achievable purposes and scale of investment."

In return he wanted a "very serious contract" with all educational interests to campaign for the return of a Labour government to secure the extra financing and other changes they all wanted.

Mrs Frances Morrell, Labour leader of the Inner London Education Authority, said "lots more money" would be needed. "Money alone is not enough, but it is a prerequisite for everything else. We should say that loud and clear."

Architecture courses to end

The architecture courses at North East London and Huddersfield polytechnics are to close, with no new intakes being allowed this September. Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, announced yesterday (Lucy Hodges writes).

Students in the middle of courses will be able to complete them, and many of those accepted to begin this September will be transferred to other institutions.

The closures have come as a result of a review of architecture training and in the light of figures which showed an oversupply of qualified architects.



The Tigerfish torpedo explodes beneath the funnel of the hulk of HMS Lowestoft.

Improved torpedo strikes fatal blow

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

The Royal Navy has torpedoed one of its own frigates to demonstrate that it has at last eliminated the problems from a torpedo system that has been in service since 1974.

HMS Lowestoft, a decommissioned, 25-year-old frigate, was sunk by a single Tigerfish torpedo in the sea near the Bahamas on June 8. The torpedo was fired by the nuclear-powered submarine, HMS Conqueror, which sank the Argentine cruiser, General Belgrano, during the Falklands conflict four years ago.

The torpedo exploded underneath the frigate, breaking its back and causing it to sink within 20 minutes.

The sinking of the Lowestoft was the culmination of two months of trials during which more than 50 Tigerfish torpedoes were fired, although only the one which sank Lowestoft had an explosive warhead.

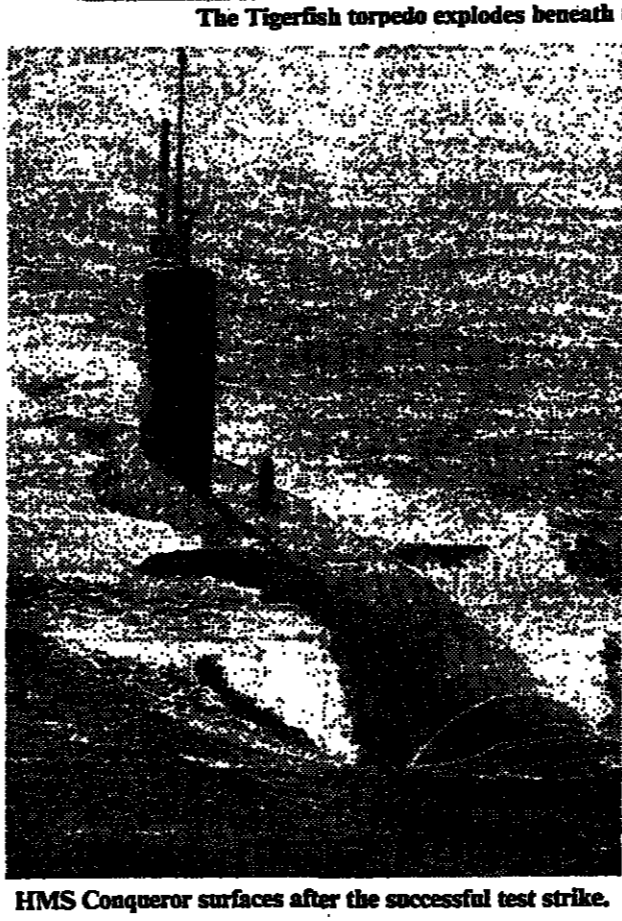
Rear-Admiral Dick Heaps, the Navy's Flag Officer

Submarines, said yesterday: "These are very welcome results, and are quite outstanding for any submarine-launched weapon system."

He was confident that British submarines now had a weapon which was quiet, stealthy, intelligent and reliable.

These results have been achieved as the result of a two-year, £40 million programme by Marconi Underwater Systems to overcome the problems of unreliability in the Tigerfish, which had been heavily criticised by the Commons public accounts committee and others.

Its work has included putting in improved homing and guidance systems, and improving the interfaces between the torpedo and the firing and other mechanisms on the submarine which sends it.



HMS Conqueror surfaces after the successful test strike.

Wapping protest arrests

By a Staff Reporter

Several hundred demonstrators blocked the entrance to News International's Wapping plant yesterday in an unexpected demonstration which almost sealed off the site until police reinforcements with horses arrived to push the crowd back.

The demonstration, which resulted in eight arrests and one injured policeman being taken to hospital, came three days before a hearing in the High Court when News International will ask for court orders to restrict picketing at its London and Glasgow plants.

The company has issued writs against the NGA, Sogat '82, three London branches of Sogat and Sogat officials.

In the demonstration yesterday, similar to one last Saturday morning, demonstrators gathered on The Highway, the main road that runs past the Wapping plant, and then flooded across into Virginia Way at the entrance.

Mounted police were called and for a time people could leave or enter the plant only on foot along a path cleared by police on horses. Lorries and a coach taking workers into the plant had to park and wait before they could enter.

After more than an hour the crowd was pushed back and access for vehicles restored.

NUM faces lower rise than rivals

By Peter Davenport

Members of the National Union of Mineworkers may get a much smaller wage offer than that accepted by the rival Union of Democratic Mineworkers when stalled pay negotiations are resumed.

The prospect of an offer less than the £5.50 deal with the UDM, was a clear inference from comments by Sir Ian MacGregor, British Coal chairman, yesterday speaking after addressing the UDM's inaugural annual conference at Buxton, Derbyshire.

The 5.9 per cent rise accepted by 34,500 members of the UDM had been made to the NUM, which refused to accept it because of conditions requiring men to make up pension payments missed during the year-long strike.

The offer was withdrawn last month and there are no new talks planned.

Yesterday, when Sir Ian was asked if the NUM could expect the same deal as the UDM, he referred to the call by Mr John MacGregor, Chief

Scargill will be seen but not heard

Mr Arthur Scargill, the miners' leader, is to join a mass gathering of pitmen in his native Yorkshire, but he will be silent.

The Yorkshire National Union of Mineworkers have invited their national president to their annual gala and demonstration on Saturday, but not to speak.

He will be a guest at the event in Doncaster when the chief speakers will be Mr Ken Gill, chairman of the Trades Union Congress, and Mr Dennis Skinner, Labour MP for Bolsover.

In the past national president have usually been called on to address the gathering of thousands of miners and their families.

This year, however, the Yorkshire NUM council has ignored Mr Scargill who was their president before being elected to national office.

Mr Jack Taylor, the Yorkshire president, said: "Arthur has been invited to attend but he is not a speaker. He will be on the platform like all the other past officials."

Nalgo ask for drive on Tories

The 752,000 members of Nalgo were advised yesterday to vote the Conservatives out of office in defence of jobs and public services.

At its annual conference in Bournemouth, Mr Norrie Steele, the public employees' union leader, condemned cuts in public spending and privatization and said career prospects and job security were being threatened.

"The effect of government decisions on these important day-to-day bread-and-butter issues has forced this union into the centre of political controversy," he said.

Mr Steele, aged 56, a quantity surveyor for Glasgow District Council and a member of the TUC general council, said: "We must work hard to increase public understanding of the serious consequences of government policies for the public services, and by all our efforts make sure that by 1988 we have elected a government more representative of the best interests of the whole population."

Legal moves have been made in an attempt to prevent water authorities spending thousands of pounds preparing for privatization.

Nalgo has lodged papers in a test case calling for a High Court judge to sanction a judicial review of the issue because it involves the Thames Water Authority.

The papers are in the name of Mr John Daly, the union's general secretary, as a consumer.

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He said that because of the High Court case, he could not go into all the implications of the problems of paying last year's award to all UDM members. He added that litigation supported by the NUM and based on the Employment Protection Act of 1978 was also creating difficulties.

The conference yesterday passed unanimously a motion to pursue a system of two-year pay deals with a minimum award of 1 per cent above current inflation.

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Ship sank 'after repairs by dockyard'

The company managing Gibraltar dockyard fitted a propeller to a frigate back-to-front, so that the warship's forward and reverse gears would have been changed, the Commons was told yesterday.

The company also mended the pumps of a privately-owned vessel so that water was pumped into the ship, which then sank, it was also said.

Labour's defence spokesman, Mr Kevin McNamara, had asked how much of the defence budget had been spent "on the Appledore company, which is supposed to be managing the dockyard in Gibraltar".

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, replied that if Mr McNamara would table a specific question about how much had been spent in Gibraltar, he would answer.

Two psychiatric nurses who took part in the occupation of Dulwich hospital's telephone exchange as part of a long-running industrial dispute yesterday lost their appeal against Camberwell Health Authority for unfair dismissal.

Ebury Bridge industrial tribunal rejected the claim of ward sister Mary Riley and charge nurse Roland Lamb. Mrs Lamb said they were acting as union branch officials while taking the direct action.

He suffered severe head injuries when he was knocked down by a fire engine in Oxford Street, London, in November 1978. The injuries left him so severely depressed that he allowed his company to go downhill.

Earth-moving machine yesterday shifted 400 tons of rock to rescue Sam, a Lake-lake terrier, trapped 15 ft underground for four days at a quarry near Bury, Greater Manchester.

The rescue was watched by the dog's owner, Steven Ross, aged 17, of Ravenstall, Lancashire. The dog became trapped after chasing a fox and survived by drinking from an underwater spring.

Extra trains on scenic line

The Settle to Carlisle railway, which has been threatened with closure, is to have two extra services each weekday, with an extra train on Saturdays, British Rail said yesterday.

Local authorities would pay £72,000 for the services, due to operate from July 14 until June 30 next year, at a cost of about £150,000.

Two arrested

Mr Tony Harlow, aged 24, and another man were arrested by police in Dudley, West Midlands, yesterday after a shooting incident at a public house on May 25.

Corrections

In the list of university rankings published on June 3, the entry for Leeds University under the heading "Mechanical Engineering" should have a star, rating it as outstanding.

In yesterday's report of the Epsom Simultaneous Bridge Pairs Championship, the British pair of J.P. Wilson and J. de Ferranti was placed 23rd. (This corrects name of P. Williams to J.P. Wilson.)

Blood crisis may delay surgery

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Waiting list operations may have to be cancelled in London and the south-east unless more donors give blood, the regional blood transfusion service which covers south London, Surrey, Sussex and Kent has warned.

Blood collections have been down by 1,000 pints a week, or 20 per cent, for several weeks, with the service having to beg blood from other regions.

"If blood collections do not improve very rapidly we shall be in a crisis and patients will be affected", Mr Keith Rogers, director of the regional blood transfusion service, said yesterday.

The donor shortage is the second the region has faced in little more than six months. Routine operations were postponed throughout London and the south-east for a fortnight in December as the number of donors fell.

Publicity about that crisis produced an increase in donations which has now fallen off. "We are at a loss to know why", a spokesman for the service said yesterday.

"It may be that people are apprehensive about Aids, but we would stress that there is no possibility of catching Aids by coming along to a donor session", the spokesman said.

"We have also had to change the times of some donor sessions to mornings and afternoons rather than evenings because the demand for platelets for the treatment of leukaemia and cancer has risen", he added.

The service urged donors to try and keep their appointments and to bring a friend along too. It needs a sustained response, not just a brief rush to give blood.

Other regions had been able to help the south-east over the past few weeks, but with holidays coming up their number of donors could fall.

Other transfusion centres have also faced problems in the past couple of years as donations have failed to keep pace with the demand.

The south London transfusion service is planning a survey to find out why some donors are staying away.

Police ram suspects' car outside Commons

By Nicholas Beepton

Armed undercover detectives arrested five suspected bank robbers after a chase through central London yesterday morning which ended with one car being rammed outside the Houses of Parliament.

Scotland Yard said two men in a Cortina were under surveillance by detectives at Waterloo who chased them to Parliament Square where they were arrested.

Pick-axe handles, tools and clothing were found in the car and police said they were still searching for firearms. The suspects were taken to Kennington police station.

A second group of suspects

was arrested in front of the Guards memorial at Horse Guards Parade, where armed officers rammed a blue Escort and handcuffed three men.

Mr Bayo Awoyemi, an ice-cream vendor in St James's Park, said: "Several police cars were chasing the Escort when suddenly one swung out in front and blocked the road."

"Armed policemen ran up to the car, smashed the windows and pulled out the three occupants. The policemen pinned the men down."

Scotland Yard said both arrests were connected. A man and a woman were later arrested in Kennington and questioned.

Support for minister's call on 'slum' homes

By Tim Jones

Mr Geoffrey Pattie yesterday received support from council tenants in his own constituency for his criticism of council estates as "the world's most expensive slums".

The remarks of the Information Technology Minister, who is a leading contender for promotion to the Cabinet, had outraged Labour MPs and led to a call for his immediate dismissal.

Mr David Winnick, Labour MP for Walsall, North, who made the call, said that council houses had been built to replace slums erected by private landlords.

Some of Mr Pattie's Conservative colleagues were embarrassed by the speech, made in an address to the Carlton Club. However residents on an estate in the heart of Mr Pattie's Chertsey and Walton constituency supported him yesterday.

Mrs Trudy Underwood,

aged 23, who lives in a three-bedroomed maisonette at Middlesex Court, Addlestone, Surrey, said: "He is quite right. They are slums."

She added, however: "We must have council houses for people like us who cannot afford their own homes. Some estates are only slums because of the way they were thrown up and because of some of the people who live in them."

Mrs Christine Roake, who pays just over £25 a week for her maisonette, said: "They

were badly built in the first place. Almost all of us have our names down to be moved elsewhere."

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Threefold increase in Britons returning from South Africa

By Paul Valley

The number of people coming into Britain from South Africa more than trebled last year, when for the first time since 1964 more Britons returned home than left, according to an Office of Population Censuses and Surveys report.

Seven thousand British passport holders came to Britain from South Africa between mid-1984 and 1985, compared with two thousand the previous year.

Immigration from the New Commonwealth fell, but a record number of British citizens arrived to take up permanent residence. The figures come from the office's national Passenger Survey which records the intentions of a large sample of migrants passing in and out of Britain's ports and airports in the period June 1984 to June 1985.

For the first time since OPCS records began in 1964 more Britons returned to the United Kingdom than left. The numbers of immigrants from Commonwealth countries in the Indian sub-continent, Africa and the Caribbean declined.

The survey has a wider coverage than the immigration statistics published by the Home Office. It encompasses the migration of British citizens who are not subject to restrictions on their movement in and out of the country and also includes the intentions of those arriving foreign and Commonwealth immigrants who have not received government permission to take up residence here.

It shows that the influx of British citizens rose by 30,000 to 120,000. The number of Britons leaving also rose, but only by 9,000 to 114,000, resulting in the first-ever recorded gain of British citizens by immigration. This compared with a 15,000 net loss last year.

The arrival of foreign citizens declaring their intention permanently to live here rose by 12,000 to 121,000, a level reached only once before in the past decade. Of these, 10,000 more than last year came from the Old Commonwealth countries of Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

The result was a net gain of population of 64,000, double that of last year which itself was the first time that there had not been a net loss.

Princess's brother in anti-drugs plea

By Michael McCarthy

Lord Althorp, brother of the Princess of Wales, made a personal plea to young people yesterday to keep away from drugs.

He said: "Just don't get involved. From my personal experience of seeing what it can do - just don't take them."

He was speaking on the TV-am programme *Good Morning Britain* in the aftermath of the death last week of Olivia Channon, his acquaintance and fellow student at Oxford, who was the daughter of Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

Lord Althorp, aged 22, who is heir to Lord Spencer, emphasized that he had never taken or been offered drugs in his three years of reading history at Magdalen College. He denied reports of widespread drug abuse among the university's undergraduates.

He was also at pains to try to counter the image of Oxford, widely publicized since Miss Channon's death, as the home of a "fast set" for whom drug-taking was only one of a number of wild excesses.

He addressed himself to young people watching the programme and said: "Just don't get involved from the start. That's the easiest thing. It is a temptation, and it may seem very easy for me sitting here."

"I've got a very cosy life, perhaps, and all that, and it may seem very easy for me sitting here."

MPs move on child benefit

By Nicholas Timmins
Social Services Correspondent

A fresh attempt by Conservative backbenchers to index the child benefit to preserve its real value is to be made today.

The move comes after last year's decision to raise child benefit by only 15p to £7, instead of the 35p needed to keep pace with inflation, and fears that the Government intends to reduce the value of the benefit to help to pay for the new Family Credit.

Sir Brandon Rhys-Williams, Conservative MP for Kensington, is planning to table a 10-minute rule Bill today after a similar amendment to the Government's Social Security Bill, which had the backing of 40 Conservative backbenchers, was talked out during the Bill's report stage.

Sir Brandon said: "People forget that child benefit replaced the old child tax allowances. If the benefit had been updated in line with prices in the same way as tax allowances, it would be worth £8 a week now instead of £7."

"The effect has been to transfer £600 million away from families with children towards the general taxpayer, but only about one in four taxpayers receive child benefit. The result has been a reduction in the real value of family support."

Lawyer jailed for £1m bank swindle plot

A solicitor who masterminded a plot to swindle banks out of £1 million was jailed for two years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Anthony Willson, aged 40, used his inside knowledge of how banks dealt with solicitors' clients' accounts to plan the swindle.

Willson found out the names of solicitors, and the names of banks where they had their clients' accounts.

Someone would pretend to be a solicitor and would telephone the banks, authorizing the transfer of money.

Willson, of Laves-de-la-Haye, Essex, and Robert Condon, aged 44, a self-employed builder, of Chingford, north-east London, who was jailed for two and a half years, were said to be principally responsible for operating the plot.

Both men admitted conspiring to steal money from banks.

Ian Brady on 'strike' over prison work

Ian Brady, the moors murderer, has gone on strike from his old prison job of transcribing books into braille for the blind because of a dispute over working conditions, Lord Longford, the prison reform campaigner, said yesterday.

Brady, who was sent to prison for life more than 20 years ago, wants to continue his work inside his own cell.

Lord Longford said that the authorities at Park Lane Secure Hospital, Liverpool, where Brady is being held, have refused his request.

"His main complaint is that since he has been at the hospital he has not been allowed to do the braille work in his room," Lord Longford said.

He said he visited Brady, aged 47, about two weeks ago and found him "very depressed".

Brady has been transcribing books into braille to help blind schoolchildren for the past 20 years.

He was transferred to Park Lane from Gartree prison, Leicester, last November.

The Department of Health said that all special hospital patients' activities must be monitored and supervised at all times. It was unable to comment on an individual's case.

Lord Longford, who was speaking in London after a press conference held by the Matthew Trust charity, a mental health reform group, said that he had also visited Myra Hindley, Brady's former accomplice, at Cookham Wood prison, Rochester, 10 days ago.

The trust urged Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, to permit Broadmoor hospital to change its name to help remove the social stigma towards discharged patients.



Students at the Kingsway High School, in Chester, demonstrating their nuclear escape vehicle which goes from standstill to 60 mph in three seconds. Built with a £40 MoT-failure engine, it will be in the national finals of BP's Bulldozer Competition in October. (Photograph: Suresh Karadia)

Tour operators freeze winter holiday prices

By Derek Harris

Prices of most of the million winter package holidays on offer from Britain's biggest tour operator will be held at last year's prices. But about 100,000 holidays offered by Thomson Holidays will be cheaper than last winter.

Long-stay holidaymakers, typically the retired, will be able to pay as little as £1.99 a day in self-catering accommodation.

Thomson is expanding its programme for the over-55s and claims to be "significantly undercutting" prices of key competitors in this market which is estimated to have grown to more than 150,000 holidays.

It will be cheaper to take a winter package than to stay at home, the company says.

Hurd deplores British failure to deter theft

Only one home in 10 is protected against burglars by strong locks, Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, said last night.

Some people even had doors and windows unlocked and one in five motorists regularly left his or her car unlocked, he told the British Security Industry Association in London.

"There is no need for the citizen to spend a lot of money turning his home into a bristling fortress, but the cost of a reasonable degree of security is well worth while, both in making the burglar's job much more difficult and in reducing the householder's fear of crime," he added.

A quarter of burglaries in Britain did not involve forced entry, because doors and windows were left unlocked.

Five in court on vicarage charges

Four men and a woman appeared before Acton magistrates yesterday charged in connection with an alleged rape and aggravated burglary at an Ealing vicarage.

Three of the men are charged with rape, aggravated burglary during which property worth £2,000 was stolen, and assault causing grievous bodily harm on the vicar and his daughter's boyfriend.

Sixteen Bignall, aged 44, of Albrighton Road, East Dulwich, and Jacqueline Defelice, aged 36, of Limes Walk, Ealing, are charged with handling stolen goods, allegedly taken from the vicarage.

Defelice is also charged with intending to pervert the course of justice by harbouring knives.

The hearing was adjourned.

Landlord 'has no sympathy for IRA'

A Glasgow landlord accused of aiding a cell of Irish terrorists plotting a bomb campaign in Britain told the Central Criminal Court yesterday he had no sympathy for the IRA.

John Boyle, aged 26, said he had no interest in Irish politics. "I would like to have nothing whatsoever to do with politics," he told the jury.

Mr Boyle, an electrician, has been accused by Mr Roy Amolot, for the prosecution, of remaining silent about an arms and bomb-making cache in a cellar at James Gray Street, Glasgow, where he had rented a room to Patrick Magee, aged 35, Gerard McDonnell, aged 35, Martina Anderson, aged 23, and Ella O'Dwyer, aged 26.

Mr Boyle said he had lived at 17 James Gray Street since he was nine. He and his mother went to Donegal to live for 18 months but returned in 1983. And Mr Boyle said he had no links with the Irish community while living in Donegal.

Mr Geoffrey Robertson, his counsel, told the jury: "This story is about a young man of good character without the slightest motive to help the IRA or the slightest interest in their political acts who had become innocently caught up in the fringes of their activity."

Mr Boyle is accused of procuring, counselling, aiding, abetting or being an accessory to the commission of a crime by assisting with the provision of premises and the storage of materials for causing explosions.

Mr Boyle is also alleged to have possessed or controlled explosive substances and to have been an accessory to the commission of a crime by Magee, McDonnell, Anderson and O'Dwyer by secreting materials for causing explosions in the cellar of his home.

The case continues.

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A soundproof dictionary

By Paul Valley

It has long been a schoolboy riddle, on being told to use the dictionary, that if he knew how to spell the word in question he would not need to look it up.

Life gets no easier for schoolboys. An educational psychologist and a school teacher have combined forces to produce a dictionary for people who cannot spell well enough to pick their way through the alphabetical slalom of the Concise Oxford and the irregular spellings it enshrines.

The new book is the ACE (Aurally Coded English) Dictionary. It has 16 separate sections, determined by the sound of each word's initial vowel. Words are then listed alphabetically in each section, often in more than one place.

The psychologist (who can spend the past 10 years working on the book with the teacher (long vowel ae), Miss Catherine Nicol, head of special education at a school in Northumberland.

"It has become the fashion in schools to spend less time of spelling. They rightly think that there are more important things to do," he said. "But later in life people devalue themselves if they have trouble spelling. They tend to reject reading and writing altogether. We hope the book will make it easier for them. Using it they will learn to spell and recognize words with less trouble."

To assist the poor speller to get to grips with the 205 different spelling combinations for English vowel sounds the dictionary has together

(wind). Difficult words beginning with g and j or c and k are listed under both headings.

Field work in schools has shown that 10-year-olds could improve their reading age by an average of 11.4 months using the book. It also revealed a number of faults in the system.

"We had to revise it to take account of differences in regional pronunciation. For the northerners words like bark are now to be found in the "long a" and the "short a" sections. For Liverpool and the Midlands bark is also found in the "ar" section. And we have had to devise a little riddle symbol for Scottish users who tend to pronounce words like bark the way the English say barren."

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Sanctions debate

PM questioned

Lost plutonium

Apartheid could be ended by discussion

SANCTIONS

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, made plain her dislike of economic sanctions against South Africa when she clashed with Mr Neil Kinnock...

Mr Kinnock: When Bishop Tutu and his colleagues as well as the African National Congress and the United Democratic Front...

Mr Kinnock: Mr Botha's regime will continue to mock it. She really wants to see the sanctions lifted...

Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab): With regard to her meeting with the Queen tonight, and in view of her Majesty's known anxiety about the need to preserve the unity of the Commonwealth...

Mr Norman St John-Stevens (Chelmsford, C): Will she convey to her Majesty Mr Hamilton's concerns about her welfare...

Mr Michael Hirst (Strathkelvin and Bearsden, C): Bishop Woelke, leader of the Independent Reform Church in South Africa, with four and a half million black Christian adherents...

Healey warns Thatcher on widening gulf in the Commonwealth

SOUTH AFRICA

If measures taken by Britain against South Africa were to be effective, they must give the South African Government an incentive to respond positively rather than an excuse to retreat still further into isolation...

Opening the debate, Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, said that if the Prime Minister vetoed action against South Africa again it could inflict massive damage on the Government from which the British people could not escape...

Mr Healey moved an Opposition motion calling on the Government, in view of the worsening situation in South Africa and the report of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group, to work actively with the African National Congress, Commonwealth and United Nations for the imposition of effective economic measures against the Government of South Africa...

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South African Government had effected a specialized vocabulary whereby saying one thing, they meant another. The Prime Minister (Mr Healey) and President Reagan fell for it hook, line and sinker...

Mr Botha had admitted as much last week, when addressing his own parliament. So (Mr Healey added) constructive engagement was a farce from the beginning...

Mr Malcolm Fraser, the former Australian Prime Minister, who was a co-chairman of the EPG, had said slaughter and bloodshed in South Africa would be worse than it had been in Vietnam...

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Six seek Nimrod radar contract

DEFENCE

The Government confirmed that it has received proposals for airborne early warning (AEW) systems from six contractors, including GEC Avionics and three United States companies Boeing, Grumman and Lockheed...

Mr John Lee, Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, also told MPs during Commons questioning that the US Government had made proposals to supply either of the systems currently used in their military service...

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Thousands of British jobs depend on trade with SA

Economic action must not be judged by cost to UK

Dr David Owen, Leader of the SDP, said it was clear to anybody listening to the Foreign Secretary that he had not made up his mind on this issue. He intended to do that. This might be an advantage to all of them, because the debate was early enough, perhaps, to influence decisions...

Mr Francis Pym (South East Cambridgeshire, C), a former Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said there was something approaching a universal feeling that it was no longer adequate to look on, write one's hands and do nothing. The feeling was that inaction in this case was immoral...

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Role of new court

HOUSE OF LORDS

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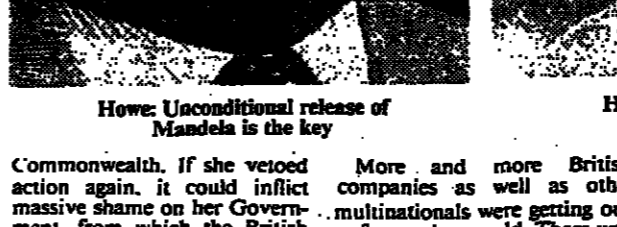
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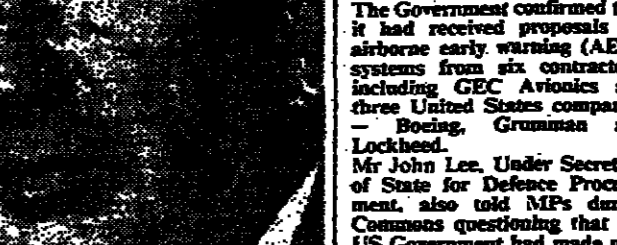
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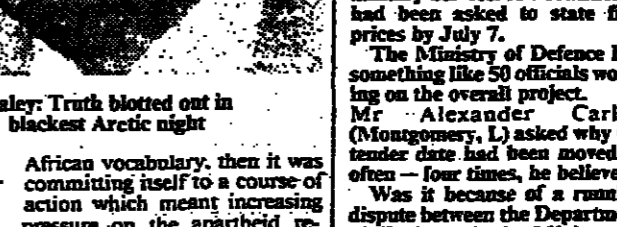
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Howe: Unconditional release of Mandela is the key



Lee: Nobody can be proud of events



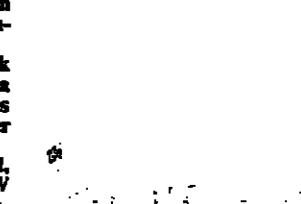
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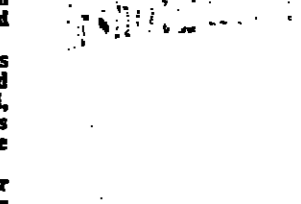
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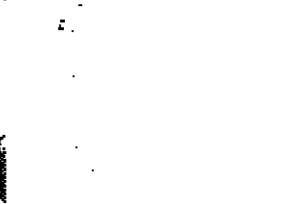
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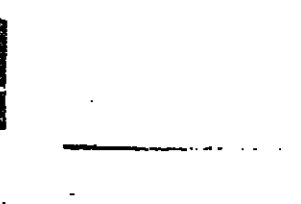
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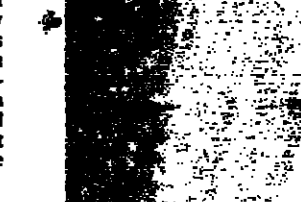
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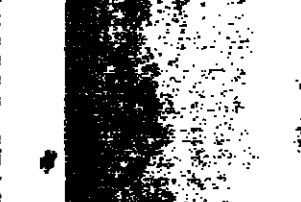
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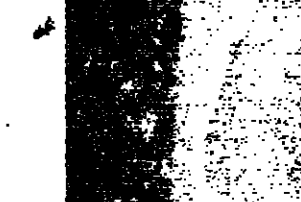
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MPs want guaranteed jobs scheme for the long-term unemployed

By Sheila Gann Political Staff

The Government should give a job guarantee to every one out of work for more than three years, an all-party Commons committee recommended yesterday.

It called for pilot schemes, offering a one-year job to some of the long-term unemployed, as a way of reducing the "prison sentence" of unemployment.

Ministers have promised to give the proposal full consideration, as well as other measures suggested by the employment select committee to cut the dole queues.

Mr Eric Forth, Conservative MP for Mid Worcestershire, was the only committee member to vote against a nationwide jobs guarantee scheme, estimated at costing £1,000 million. Two other Conservative MPs on the committee yesterday repeated their strong backing for it.

The committee originally called for an £3,300 million package of measures to tackle long-term unemployment. But the Government disputed the costings and did not back the proposals.

The committee responded yesterday by scaling down its original demands and said the £1,000 million jobs-guarantee scheme would lead to savings in social security benefits.

It stated: "We welcome the

reiteration of the Government's concern about the long-term unemployed and take its reply as in no way a rejection of the committee's assertion that the long-term unemployed represent a priority category for assistance.

"It is for them that the privation and damage caused by long-term unemployment is greatest and that is why we recommend urgent action should be taken to make these people a potential employer's first choice, not his last."

Mr Ron Leighton, the committee chairman and Labour MP for Newham North East, said: "People have compared unemployment to a prison sentence. We should at least put a time limit on the sentence. Three years should be the maximum that anybody is in the prison of unemployment."

Lending his support, Mr Andrew Rowe, Conservative MP for Mid Kent, said: "The offer of a guarantee to those unemployed for three years or more would dramatically alter the climate and the whole debate about long-term unemployment. I think the Government is much closer to giving this guarantee than appears to be recognized."

Mr Bryan Nicholson, chairman of the Manpower Services Commission, was also

enthusiastic about the scheme and told the committee the MSC "would be able to deliver such a guarantee".

Mr Leighton said he hoped Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employment, was right in predicting a drop in unemployment, but the committee could not see it happening.

"We are asking the Government to go a little further and a little faster. I suspect there will be an increase in the public debate on this dilemma of long-term unemployment. Otherwise these people will never ever work again. That is not good business or good economics."

The committee repeated its call for more jobs to be created in the building industry, social services and the health service.

Unemployment in Glasgow is running at more than one in five of the adult population, with almost a third of all men of working age on the dole, a report prepared by the district council says.

The city has 76,514 people out of work, but it is the long-term unemployment that is causing most concern.

The report discloses that in 30 of the city's 66 council wards, more than 50 per cent of the jobless have been out of work for more than a year.



Royal Marines with the SA80 at Buckingham Palace yesterday (Photograph: Harry Kerr).

Marines show new stubby rifle

They were changing the guards' rifles at Buckingham Palace yesterday. But gone were the traditional crunch of rifle butts on gravel and the smart slap of shouldered arms.

A new drill had to be created for the SA80, a stubby assault rifle, seen at the Changing of the Guard ceremony for the first time yesterday.

The Royal Marines of 42

Commando, who took over from the Scots Guards yesterday morning, are the first operational unit to be equipped with the new Enfield 5.56 millimetre weapon.

The SA80 is 4 in shorter than the standard SLR weapon and the men think it is "great", Sergeant Peter Williams, a Royal Marines spokesman, said. It is more

powerful, more accurate and its recoil is negligible.

Sgt Williams admitted that it had taken some time to get used to the new gun.

In practice sessions, he said, Highland soldiers had complained that the procedure for fixing bayonets, which involves grasping the rifle between the knees, was ruining their kilts.

Columnist 'subject of planned ridicule'

By Nicholas Wood Political Reporter

Mrs Rosemarie Marcie-Riviere, the wealthy socialite, threw Mr Taki Theodoropoulos out of her jet-set lunch party 'like a dog' as part of a plan to ridicule and humiliate him in front of his friends, it was claimed in the High Court yesterday.

In his closing speech on the tenth day of the libel action brought by Mrs Marcie-Riviere, aged 71, against Mr Theodoropoulos, aged 48, Mr Andrew Bateson, QC, for the defence, told the jury that the evidence left no choice but to accept that was so.

The first question for the jury was whether the case was really a libel action or just "a lady using her considerable wealth and the English courts to pursue a vendetta against Taki," Mr Bateson said.

Mrs Marcie-Riviere, married five times, claims that she was made out to be a "high class tart" and a "coarse and ill-mannered woman of loose sexual morals" by Mr Theodoropoulos in his "High Life" column in *The Spectator*, after the lunch party at her villa on the Greek island of Spetsai in 1982.

In the article Mr Theodoropoulos said that she had set a trap for him. Mr Bateson said that he accepted the words used were offensive and would be a libel if they were not true.

Mr Theodoropoulos, the publishers of *The Spectator* and Mr Alexander Chancellor, its former editor, all deny libel. Mr Theodoropoulos is counter claiming libel damages over an interview given by Mrs Marcie-Riviere to another magazine, in which she said his article was all lies.

The hearing continues.

Minister's inquiry on 'anti-race' teachers

By Nicholas Wood Political Reporter

The Home Office has launched an inquiry into the activities of some staff at a multicultural education centre in Bristol.

It wants to know whether they are fulfilling their duty to confine themselves professionally to teaching children of Commonwealth origin.

If, as has been claimed, they are found to be spending time on campaigning on racial matters, the Avon Centre in the city would lose some of the £700,000-a-year grant it receives from Whitehall under section 11 of the Local Government Act 1986.

The investigation comes after controversy about the case of Mr Jonathan Savery, aged 37, a teacher based at the centre but attached to a local school, where he teaches English to pupils from ethnic minorities.

He was cleared recently of a charge of racism brought by about 20 staff at the centre.

The inquiry was disclosed by Mr David Waddington, Minister of State at the Home Office, in a Commons written reply.

His officials have questioned council officers "about the functions of certain posts" and have asked for more information.

"In the light of this information, which is awaited, we will determine whether these functions can properly be supported under section 11," Mr Waddington said.

The move was welcomed by Mr Savery.

"There are around half a dozen people who, in my view, are drawing money under false pretences."

"They do nothing of tangible benefit to the section 11 group; they just swan around the county drawing fat salaries. They do no useful work; in fact they undermine the positive work done by others because they are not sufficiently anti-racist."

Police death

The body of Mr James Tuplin, Chief Constable of the Port of London, will be flown back to Britain after his death in Taiwan four days ago. Mr Tuplin, aged 62, collapsed with a heart attack at an international conference dinner.

Double life sentences for shotgun robber

Paul Ross, who shot two men and carried out a number of armed robberies, received two life sentences and additional terms totalling 80 years when he appeared at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Ross, aged 22, was described by Sir James Miskin, QC, the Recorder of London, as "a very serious and continuing danger to the public".

Sir James said that he wanted everyone to know that deterrent sentences would be handed out to those prepared to use firearms.

Two men who were shot were lucky to survive. The judge awarded one of them, Mr Andrew Douglas, aged 27, a travelling salesman, of Waterhall Avenue, Chingford, north-east Lon-

don, £200 for his "incredible bravery". He lost the sight of his right eye and has only one-third of vision in the left eye.

Mr Martin Wright, aged 28, a mini-cab driver of Danby Street, Peckham, south-east London, was shot in the chest when he refused to hand over his takings.

Ross, of High Level Drive, Sydenham, south-east London, pleaded guilty to causing grievous bodily harm to Mr Douglas and Mr Wright, eight armed robberies, two attempted robberies, assault with intent to rob and possessing four sawn-off shotguns.

Mr Dorian Lovell-Pank, for the prosecution, said that Ross led a gang - others have already been sentenced - which stole cash and property worth £47,000

Outbreak of hepatitis at junior school

Twenty-three children at St Ives Junior School, Cornwall, have been taken ill with hepatitis, the infectious liver disease.

Several more are suspected of having it.

Mr John Abrahams, headmaster of the school, which has 260 pupils, said yesterday: "The exact cause of the outbreak is difficult to pinpoint because the incubation period is between two and six weeks."

He added: "We have emphasized the need for personal hygiene and have withdrawn common drinking utensils." It was a mild form of the disease, he said, and there was no danger of anyone dying from it or suffering any long-term effects.

Action against solicitors made easier

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

A faster, cheaper way for dissatisfied clients to pursue complaints of negligence against solicitors is launched today by the Law Society.

It is funding a new arbitration scheme which means that for the first time, allegations of negligence need not be pursued through the courts.

Instead for a fee of £40, plus VAT, clients can have the complaint referred to an arbitrator, to be appointed by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

If negligence is proved, the arbitrator will have power to make damages awards. In practice these are unlikely to amount to more than several hundred pounds; as bigger claims would probably be more appropriately pursued in the courts.

The scheme is the latest of several proposed reforms to the solicitors' complaints machinery; and coincides with a similar move, expected soon to be announced by the Bar.

The Law Society has also

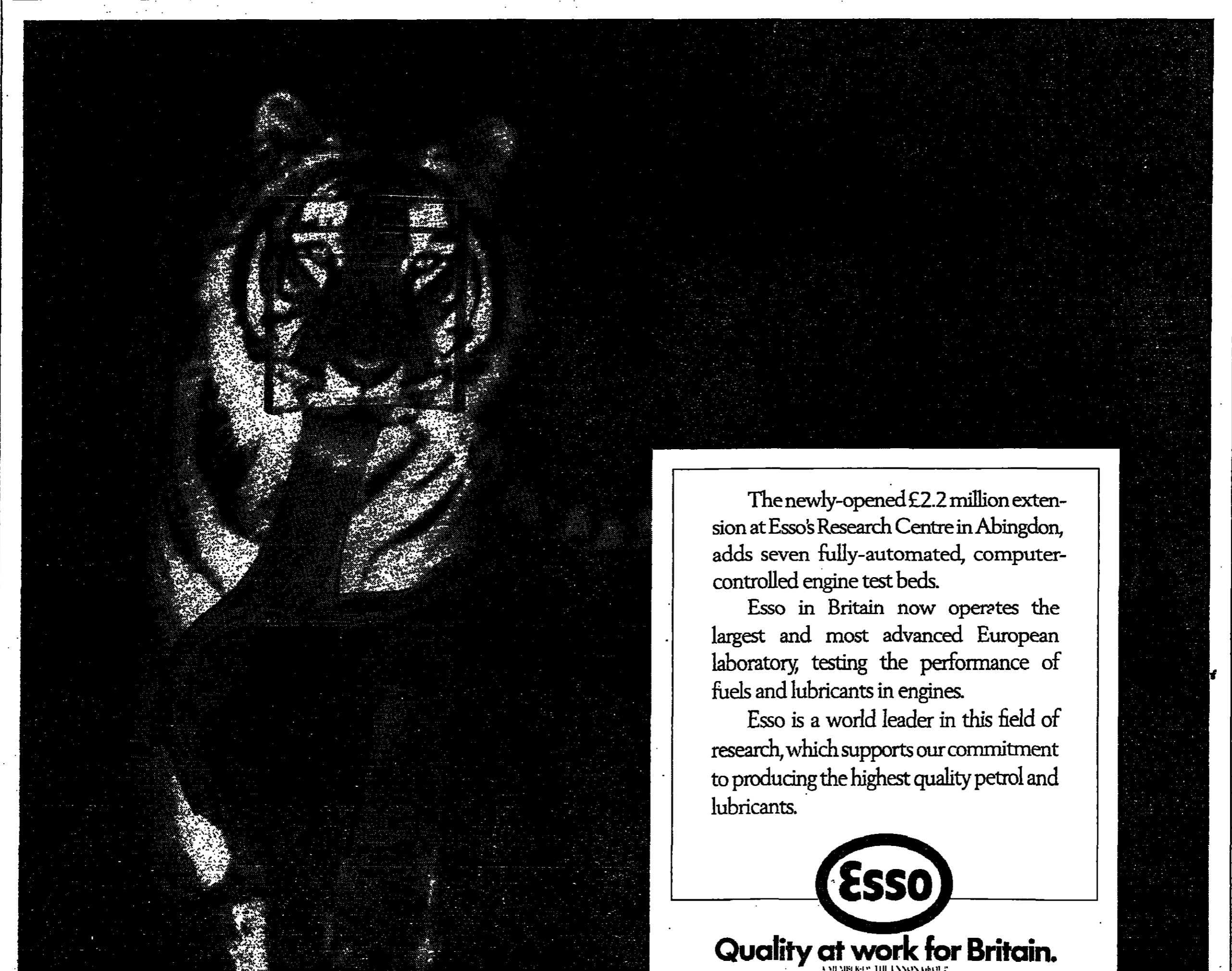
been granted new powers to handle complaints about shoddy work under the Administration of Justice Act 1985; and those powers, along with a new Solicitors' Complaints Bureau separate from the Law Society, are expected to come into force by the end of the year.

The Law Society has no power to investigate complaints of negligence, which - until the new scheme - had to be resolved by the courts. But it is setting up a nationwide

negligence panel of solicitors to give one hour's free advice to aggrieved clients wanting to pursue a complaint.

Under the new Complaints' Board, it is expected complaints will be investigated by a committee, with a lay majority of members.

The Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal, with its powers to reprimand, fine, suspend or strike off the roll, will still deal with the most serious complaints of professional misconduct.

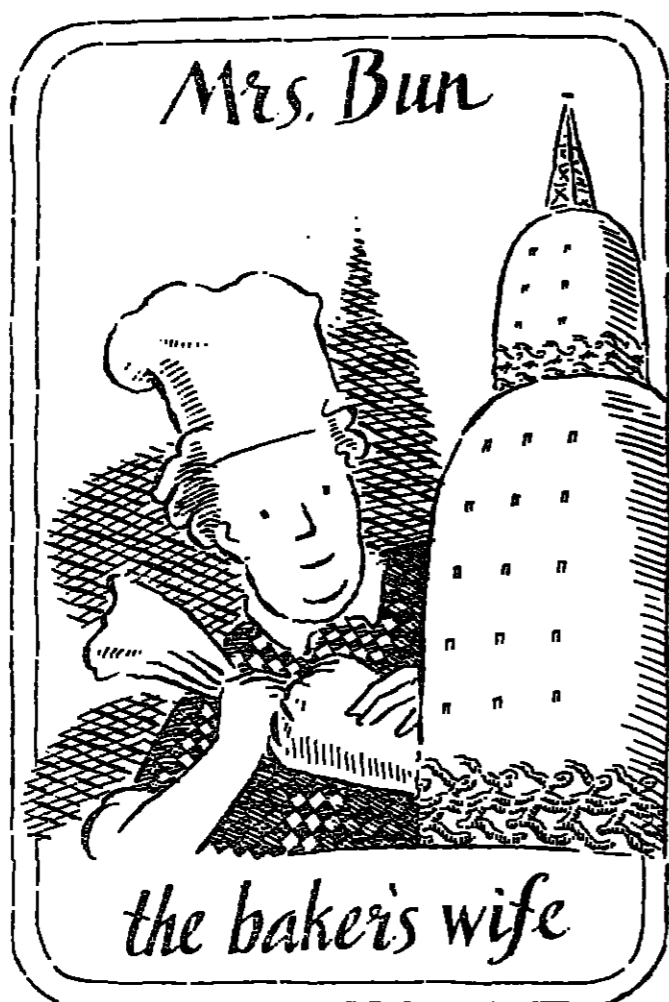


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Two senior army men killed in Madrid machine gun attack

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Two senior Spanish army officers and the driver of their official car were shot dead in a hail of machine gun fire by two young men and one woman during the lunchtime rush hour yesterday. They were on a boulevard flanking Madrid's Manzanares river.

Witnesses said the killers fired directly through the army vehicle's windows from their passing car.

One of the victims was Major Gerardo Saez de Ynestrillas, aged 51, who was well known as an officer of extreme right-wing views. He was a friend of the former army colonel, Antonio Tejero, who stormed Parliament at gunpoint in the 1981 coup attempt.

The other victims were Lieutenant-Colonel Carlos Besteiro, aged 50, and the soldier driver.

An attempt was made by several passers-by to stop the killers who fled in a Renault

with false number plates. A policeman on a motor cycle was injured when he attempted to stop them.

Large crowds quickly gathered on the boulevard and began angrily shouting: "ETA murderers."

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ETA, the Basque separatist organization, was immediately suspected. It has often struck during election campaigns - Spaniards go to the polls on Sunday in their fourth general election since the advent of democracy in 1977.

Spain's Socialist Party, seeking a second four-year term, immediately put out a statement condemning a "terrorist provocation" aimed to destabilize Sunday's vote.

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Diplomat expelled for beating apartheid demonstrator



A camera caught the drama as a South African diplomat beat a woman anti-apartheid demonstrator to the ground with a broom handle in Canberra on Monday.



Mrs Kirsty Valliabo had scaled a wall and smashed two windows of the South African Embassy during a protest marking the 10th anniversary of the Soweto uprising.



She was caught by Mr Cozza Alberts, the administrative attaché at the embassy, who was yesterday expelled from Australia and has been given 10 days to leave.

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A federal police report concluded that Mr Alberts had used reasonable force when dealing with the protester.

Mr Cornelius Bassianse, the South African Ambassador, showed no regret and said: "We live in a world, unfortunately, where embassies and embassy officials are of course particularly vulnerable to attacks. We would hope for the continued support of the Australian

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Scandal may cut majority

From Harry Debetins, Madrid

A currency evasion scandal and a simmering conflict with church leaders threatened yesterday to diminish the margin of the anticipated Socialist victory in next Sunday's general election.

A director-general of the Defence Ministry, General Valentin Harmandaz Palacin resigned on Friday just before testifying in a judicial investigation into the illegal removal of an estimated 800 million pesetas (£3.9 million) from the country.

Among others under investigation is a member of the press

section at the Prime Minister's office.

The monarchist daily, ABC, a strong supporter of the conservative opposition, demanded yesterday that "the Government should clarify the matter of the currency evasion before next Sunday."

The standing committee of the Spanish Roman Catholic Episcopal Council met here yesterday to decide whether to distribute, before the elections, an anti-abortion document which has already been prepared.

But some members of the hierarchy did not wait. The

bishops of five dioceses distributed pastoral letters which were clearly designed to discourage votes for the Socialists.

The Archbishop of Burgos, Monsignor Teodoro Cardenal Fernandez, warned the faithful against "an electoral effort which includes legislation on abortion, contrary to the clear doctrine of the Catholic Church".

He urged them "not to favour with their votes the implantation of a design for society inspired by materialism, secularism and Godlessness".

Talk with PLO rocks Knesset

Jerusalem - Mr Mohammed Miari, a member of the Knesset, has had a secret meeting with Mr Yassar Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization (Ian Murray writes).

The announcement, made by Mr Miari himself, came as a shock to the vast majority of members who regard the PLO as a terrorist organization which must not be contacted.

Mr Miari, however, who was accompanied at the meeting last week by a senior member of the Anglican church from Nazareth, said that he and the PLO leader had agreed when they met that the only way for peace was to establish a direct dialogue between Israel and the PLO.

Meetings between Israel and the PLO are not forbidden by law, although a Bill is before the Knesset which seeks to make it an offence.

World jogger vows to go on

New York - Henry Weston, from Forest Road, Denmead, near Portsmouth, vowed to continue his attempt to become the first man to jog round the world despite being robbed of his passport and all his belongings in New York.

On Monday, after the day-long robbery, Mr Weston said he was giving up. But after a night's sleep, he confirmed: "I will go on. It will just take me a bit longer, I suppose."

On air again

Tehran (Reuters) - Iran's international direct-dial telephone and telex communications returned to normal after nine days of difficulties following an Iraqi air raid on a satellite ground station.

Air exercise

Rabat (Reuters) - The Moroccan and Spanish air forces will hold joint manoeuvres next week concentrating on the defence of the Strait of Gibraltar area.

Quake benefit

Vienna (Reuters) - A benefit concert held in Vienna by the Spanish tenor Placido Domingo raised about £134,000 for the victims of last year's Mexican earthquake.

Tough talk

Singapore (Reuters) - Taxi drivers who malign the Singapore Government by holding "scandalous conversations" with passengers will be punished by their union.

Mercy flight

Tokyo (AFP) - Six-year-old Siamese twins, one of them in a coma, are to be flown from Vietnam to Japan in an effort to save them.

Her time

Jakarta (AFP) - A woman in her seventies died here when she went to set the

Minister survives Bogota ambush

From Geoffrey Matthews, Bogota

Colombia's Interior Minister, Señor Jaime Castro, narrowly survived an assassination attempt when his car was ambushed in central Bogota early yesterday.

The April 19 Movement (M-19) immediately claimed responsibility, saying it was an "act of vengeance" for the bloodbath which resulted when government troops stormed the Palace of Justice when it was in the hands of M-19 guerrillas last November.

Two of Señor Castro's

bodyguards and a police officer were wounded in the attack, which came only 24 hours after the minister had announced that the full text of a controversial official report on the government management of the siege would be published, regardless of whether or not its conclusions were favourable to President Belisario Betancur, his Cabinet or the security forces.

The council is expected to consider economic sanctions against South Africa later this week as a result.

The South African representative, Mr Kurt von Shirding, cited evidence of an increase in Cuban troops and growing Soviet involvement in Angola.

The council is expected to take up South Africa's internal crisis and the reinstatement of the state of emergency later this week.

MOSCOW: Pravda yesterday accused Washington of encouraging the South African Government, as limited sanctions imposed last year had left no mark on the administration of President Botha (Reuters reports).

Pay strike sets test for Athens

From Mario Modiano, Athens

A strike by Greek pilots over a pay dispute is becoming a test of the Socialist Government's determination to stick to its economic austerity programme.

The dispute has crippled Olympic Airways, the state-owned national airline, for the past eight days.

When the airline's 365 pilots and 112 flight engineers defied a civil mobilization order, which bans strikes as a felony, the Government jailed six pilots, dismissed a further 39 and applied to the courts to confiscate their personal property, to support claims of damages to the company resulting from their action of more than £1 million a day.

At the same time it chartered four aircraft and 80 crew from Lebanon's Middle East Airlines. With the help of 35 Greek pilots who opted to work it operated 45 of the scheduled 120 daily international and domestic flights.

Mr George Papadimitriou, the Transport Minister, yesterday rejected mediation offers from the European Pilots' Union and the Athens Bar Association.

Mr Spyros Horafas, president of the Greek pilots' union, said yesterday that the strikers were ready to resume work if the Government revoked all legal measures taken against colleagues and guaranteed negotiations.

Norwegians remain on alert after Chernobyl

From Tony Samstag, Oslo

As health officials in the Nordic countries meet today in the Swedish city of Uppsala to compare notes on the effects of the Chernobyl disaster, Norwegian authorities have warned the public not to eat freshwater fish because of radioactive contamination.

The Health Directorate said preliminary tests had shown levels of radioactive caesium in Arctic char from the county of North Trosendelag to be more than 10 times the permitted maximum.

The latest findings suggest that contamination of plants and animals over a wide area of Norway may have been far worse than was first thought. Reindeer, cattle, deer, elk, roe and even bears have been affected.

There are fears that the traditional hunting season will have to be curtailed because venison may be unfit to eat; and scientists gave a warning several weeks ago that the particular vulnerability of reindeer to radioactive iso-

topes, concentrated in the lichen on which they feed, was cause for alarm in the huge ranching industry of the northern counties and Lapland.

Confirmation of high radiation levels in farm fish could also prove catastrophic for Norway's thriving aquaculture industry.

Thousands of tons of vegetable crops have already had to be destroyed, and for the first time minute traces of radioactive strontium have been detected in milk.

All government statements emphasize, somewhat confusingly, that there is no cause for alarm, comparing even the highest levels of radioactive contamination in foodstuffs to that of routine X-ray examinations.

In private, however, some officials joke that such reassurances may be true as far as they go, but the dosages are in fact the equivalent of "routine" examinations every day over a period of many years.

Church accused of guerrilla links

From John Carlin, Mexico City

A battle is brewing in El Salvador between the US-backed Government and the Roman Catholic Church over accusations that church and human rights groups have been acting as fronts for left-wing guerrilla organizations.

According to testimonies allegedly submitted to the authorities by former members of two well-established human rights groups, these groups for several years have been systematically providing disinformation on human rights issues to discredit the Government of President Duarte, its Army and the US.

country afloat with annual aid totalling \$500 million (£329 million).

The testimony of one woman in particular, Señora Luz Janet Alfaro, has been given great publicity by the Government.

Arrested on May 21, this former member of the Commission for Human Rights has claimed that an umbrella aid organization known as Diaconia, which organizes international relief programmes on behalf of various churches, channels 95 per cent of its funds to the Farabundo Martí National Liberation Front

But Monsignor Arturo Rivera Damas, the Archbishop of San Salvador, has cast doubt on her allegations.

In a sermon this week he said she and a former member of a group of mothers of people who had disappeared were arrested and tortured.

The US Embassy in El Salvador, however, appears convinced, having long believed that the two human rights groups were influenced and manipulated by the FMLN.

The embassy said it had reason to believe Señora Alfaro's confessions had not

ANC blames 'allies of a truly murderous regime'

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Mr Oliver Tambo, president of the African National Congress, yesterday accused Western powers - in particular Britain, France, West Germany and the US - of being "co-conspirators in a crime of immense dimensions" for their failure to impose sanctions on Pretoria.

Speaking in Paris at the five-day United Nations conference on sanctions against South Africa, Mr Tambo, who was praised in the recent report of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group, said Britain, France, West Germany and the US could not avoid the blame for "the inevitable and terrible outcome of chaos" throughout southern Africa.

It was they who had sheltered the apartheid regime from decisive international action, he claimed, adding that they had helped that regime in the past and were continuing to do so.

"Current reports confirm that the governments of these countries remain determined to persist in that ignoble and dishonourable role of allies of a truly murderous regime. If those who have the power to impose sanctions fail to do so now, then history will surely judge them as co-conspirators and participants in the commission of a crime of immense dimensions."

Mr Tambo said the ANC "would have loved to have liberated its country from a racist tyranny by pacific means, including negotiations", but had failed. The

Commonwealth mission had confirmed that the regime of President Botha was not prepared to resolve South Africa's problems by negotiation.

In its report on South Africa, published last week, the group described Mr Tambo and Mr Nelson Mandela, the imprisoned ANC leader, as "among the most striking figures whom we met in the course of our work".

It had been particularly impressed by their "reasonableness, absence of rancour and readiness to find a negotiated solution..."

Mr Ide Oumarou, the secretary-general of the Organization of African Unity, who is also in Paris for the UN conference, deplored the inability of the 12 EEC countries to agree on sanctions.

Briton arrested after raid freed by Zimbabwe

From Jan Raath, Harare

Mr Callum Anderson, one of the first people to have been arrested in the wake of the South African raid on Zimbabwe last month, has been released from detention.

Mr Anderson, aged 33, who holds British citizenship, said in a telephone interview from Bulawayo that he had been told after being held for five days by security authorities that he was "in the clear".

However, he was held for another 25 days.

Local press reports said at the time of his arrest that he was suspected of having led the South African commandos spend a night at his house. Yesterday, Mr Anderson said there was "no truth at all" in the report.

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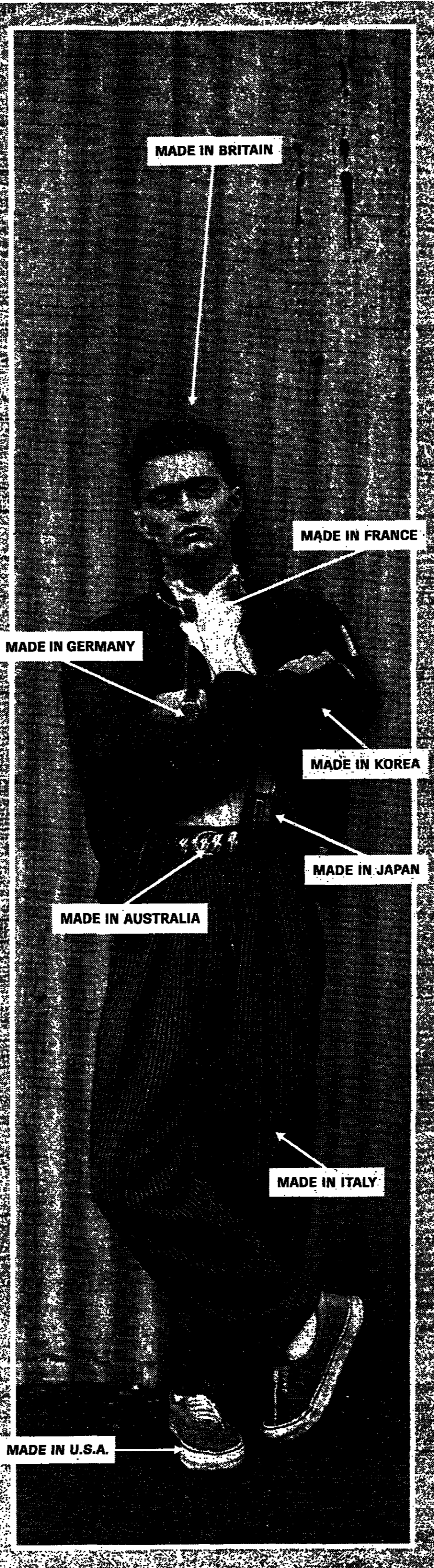
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Polish police drive nets dozens of Solidarity activists and presses

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

The Polish authorities have launched a big operation against the Solidarity underground in the wake of the arrest of the fugitive union leader, Mr Zbigniew Bujak. Several dozen activists have been detained, flats raided and several important clandestine printing presses have been uncovered.

The thrust of the offensive appears to be in Warsaw, where Mr Bujak was the regional Solidarity leader, but police action in Gdansk led to the detention of several activists, including Miss Anna Walentynowicz.

Mr Jerzy Urban, the government spokesman, confirmed yesterday that Miss Walentynowicz, a crane driver who was at the centre of the 1980 strike, was detained by police on suspicion of trying to stir up public unrest, but was later released.

The police campaign has at least three dimensions. First, having arrested Mr Bujak just over two weeks ago, there was no logical reason for allowing lower-level Solidarity cells to continue.

Some had already been infiltrated by informers - General Czeslaw Kiszczyk, the Interior Minister, has publicly

admitted that this was happening - and others were dangerously exposed when a large part of the Warsaw Solidarity leadership fell into police hands.

Second, Poland will soon stage its Communist Party congress and wants to demonstrate that it is not soft on Solidarity.

Finally, an amnesty for political prisoners is under consideration - if, as Mr Urban said yesterday, the domestic conditions warrant it. Waves of arrests also preceded previous amnesties, partly to dramatize the gesture of throwing open the prison cells.

Much depends on the symbolic importance of Mr Bujak. The authorities claim that they found espionage material, including encoded information, in his flat.

The owner of the flat, a senior official at the Foreign Ministry, Mr Zbigniew Wroznicki, is to be charged with hampering the investigation into the Bujak case, Mr Urban said.

Apart from the Warsaw Solidarity organizers arrested simultaneously with or soon after Mr Bujak, there have been several other arrests,

including a number of people involved in printing the weekly Solidarity news bulletin, *Tygodnik Mazowiec*.

A concerted raid on flats in Warsaw's Zoliborz district led to the charging of about six union activists.

Most of those arrested from the medium ranks of Solidarity are being charged under Article 282, an all-purpose political article, which is used against those who engage in "anti-state activity".

It is assumed that almost all of those so charged will be freed under whatever amnesty emerges this summer. The leadership of the union - such as Mr Bujak and Mr Tadeusz Jedynek - are, however, subject to the military prosecutor and may face charges of preparing to overthrow the communist system by force, an article that carries a possible 10-year jail term.

Solidarity is very much on the defensive. Mr Bujak has been replaced - by a 50-year-old former schoolteacher, Mr Wiktor Kulerski - but even the simple printing of leaflets has become a dangerous pursuit. Sympathizers who used to lend their flats to clandestine printers for the night are now having second thoughts.



A Honduran soldier learning to place a US claymore anti-personnel mine during training exercises last week some 25 miles from the Nicaraguan border. About 1,500 American Special Forces and Rangers were involved.

Thousands mourn at funeral for torn bibles

From Ian Murray Jerusalem

Thousands of mourners from all over Israel yesterday attended the orthodox funeral of the prayer books torn apart on Saturday by vandals who attacked a Yeshiva (bible school) in Tel Aviv.

A funeral of this kind is laid down by religious law as being necessary and the orthodox leaders wanted to make an occasion of it to emphasize their horror at the desecration of the school in the spiralling conflict between the religious and secular communities.

Vandals yesterday attacked another Yeshiva in Ashdod, spray painting graffiti condemning the orthodox on the walls.

In a statement to the Knesset, Mr Shimon Peres, the Prime Minister, has promised that the full force of the law will be brought to bear on anyone convicted of vandalism.

His statement followed a fire in the offices of the secular Citizens Rights Movement, which caused extensive damage.

An anonymous caller claimed it had been started by supporters of the right-wing Kach party, which vehemently calls for the expulsion of all non-Jews from Israel.

US to reject Kremlin demand on SDI

By Henry Stanhope

The United States will not agree to the latest Soviet demand that its Star Wars defence programme be limited to laboratory research, a senior Pentagon official said yesterday.

More than half of the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI) is now devoted to the development of test models, which would have to be scrapped if the Soviet proposal

at the Geneva arms talks, were accepted.

The official, who was in London for talks at the Ministry of Defence, said a test planned for about 1990, in which a ground-launched missile would try to destroy an enemy weapon in space, would be among the casualties.

So would another which would involve launching an infra-red sensor into space to detect and track rockets.

Meanwhile, the Russians were continuing laser and particle beam weapon research at a number of sites including their air force research station at Sary Shagan.

The Soviet demand was contained in a confidential package of proposals put forward recently at the Geneva talks - then repeated in public by Mr Gorbachev in a speech to the Central Committee of the Communist Party on Monday.

He also wanted a promise that Washington would abide by the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty for at least 15 years - in return for which the Russians would agree to cuts in the number of strategic missiles and warheads.

Although unacceptable as it stands, the demand is being seen as a sign of some movement by the Russians who at one time insisted on an end to SDI altogether.

'Dynamite Olga' to lead party

From Christopher Mosey Stockholm

Sweden yesterday elected its first ever woman party leader - rather late in the day for a country that prides itself on equality in all things.

Mrs Karin Soder, aged 57, known as "Dynamite Olga" because of her fiery temperament, takes over the agrarian-based Centre Party.

She contradicts most of the usual misconceptions concerning Swedish womanhood still held by foreigners, marking a return to a fiercely puritan tradition, opposed to both sexual licence and the easing of her country's archaic liquor laws.

During her time as Minister for Social Affairs from 1979 to 1982, Mrs Soder was responsible for the drafting of legislation which curbed the activities of Sweden's sex clubs so drastically that most have since gone out of business. She also banned the sale of alcohol at state liquor stores on Saturday mornings.

Mrs Soder's chances, however, of becoming Sweden's first woman prime minister are not good. Her predecessor, Mr Thorbjorn Falldin, caused a political sensation when he toppled Olof Palme in 1976 to head Sweden's first non-socialist administration for 47 years, but his sorry performance in office considerably weakened the party.

Mrs Soder, however, an implacable opponent of nuclear power, is expected to gain support in the wake of the Chernobyl disaster.

Mulroney on trade offensive

From John Best Ottawa

The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Brian Mulroney, has launched the nation into a politically sensitive set of free-trade negotiations with the US by telling Canadians that "an important turning-point" in their country's life has been reached.

The talks, expected to last a year or more, officially started yesterday in Washington between US and Canadian officials.

Mr Mulroney went on national TV on the eve of the opening round to rally Canadians behind his initiative.

The Prime Minister has been under fierce attack from both opposition parties in the Commons, the Liberals and the New Democrats, for proposing the free-trade discussions. The country appears divided.

It is already clear that the question will be an issue in the next federal election campaign, about two years from now, and could make or break the Conservative Prime Minister's political career.

Mr Mulroney sounded almost Churchillian as he asked Canadians for their support. "These discussions represent an important turning-point in the life of our country," he said.

Mr John Turner, the Liberal Opposition leader, who appeared after Mr Mulroney, told Canadians that his party "cannot support the Tory trade initiative".

UN body gets its cash

Geneva - Despite the United Nations economy drive, the UN Development Programme has achieved its \$780 million (about £510 million) target for the year, an 8 per cent increase on the 1985 figure (Alan McGregor writes).

Announcing this yesterday, its new administrator, Mr William Drake, pointed out

that expenditure in real terms had remained unchanged for 15 years.

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Mr Drake intimated that the UN Volunteers Programme will be doubled.

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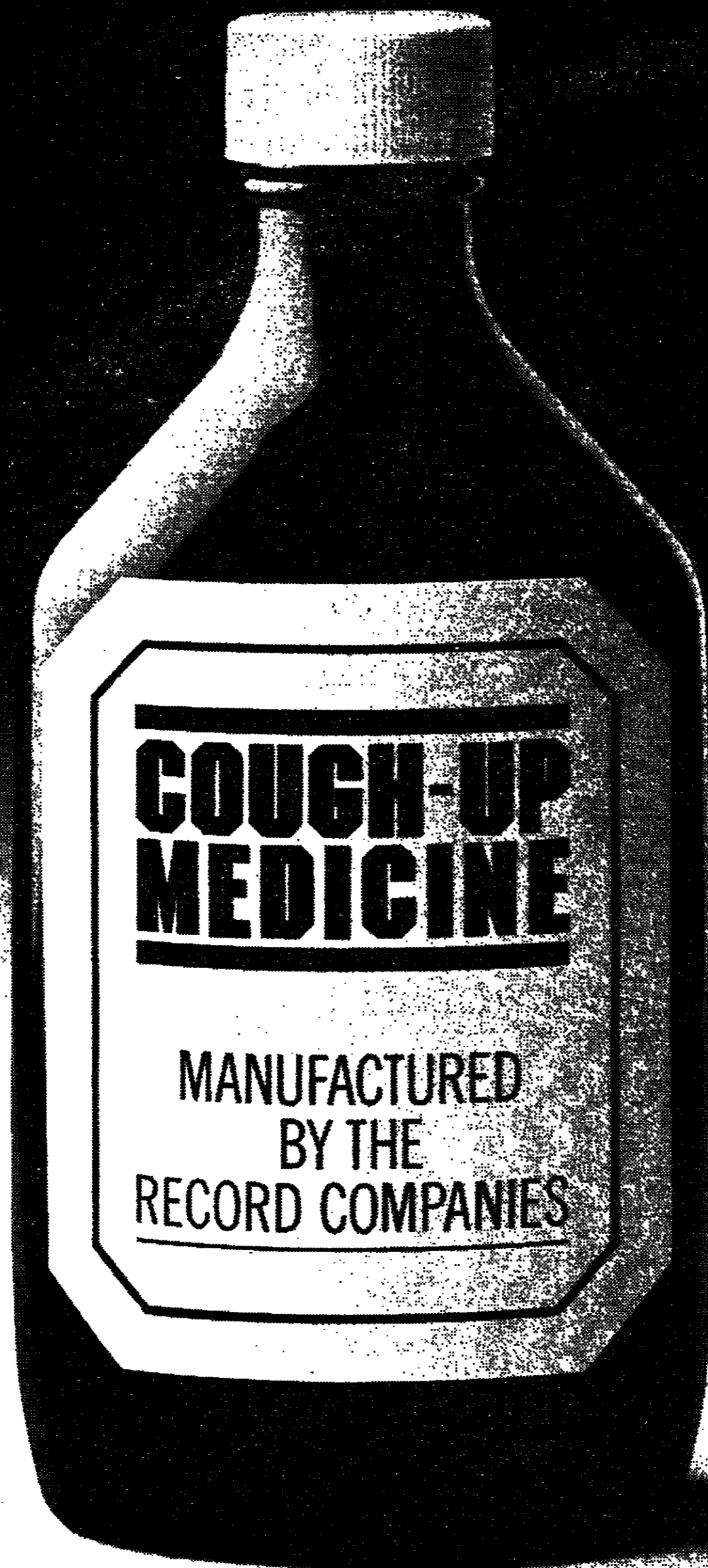
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Israel's outgoing chief law officer accused over hijack deaths leak

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

A member of the Knesset has accused Mr Yitzhak Zamir, the outgoing Attorney-General, of telling the media that two Palestinian bus hijackers were lynched by members of the Shin Bet counter-intelligence agency on the express orders of Mr Avraham Shalom, the agency's chief.

The Knesset member, Mr Ehud Olmert, has written to Mr Shimon Peres, the Prime Minister, protesting that Mr Zamir has committed a grievous criminal offence and damaged the security of the state by releasing top-secret information obtained before he retired as Attorney-General at the beginning of this month.

The aim of the leaks, Mr Olmert said, was to force an inquiry into the affair.

The Israeli media yesterday was full of reports from an anonymous "senior judicial source" describing in some detail how the two Palestinians were severely beaten and then killed after they were captured on a bus they had hijacked to Gaza in April 1984. The stories all appeared after a farewell party given by Mr Zamir to Israeli legal correspondents.

The reports say that the Chief of Staff, General Moshe Levy, ordered that all four

hijackers on board the bus should be killed when the Army stormed it. Killing them in this way would have been legal.

But only two were killed and the survivors were handed over to Shin Bet. Five agents then interrogated them and killed them, the stories say, having been ordered to do so by Mr Shalom.

Information about this is known to have been given to Mr Zamir by three senior Shin Bet officers, Mr Reuvin Hazak, Mr Peleg Raddai and Mr Rafi Malka. Mr Hazak is first said to have gone to Mr Peres to tell him about the way the men died and about a Shin Bet cover-up for two subsequent inquiries.

The Prime Minister, however, is said to have dismissed these allegations, believing they were an effort to get rid of Mr Shalom and for Mr Hazak to take his place.

The three then tried to see Mr Zamir but were refused permission for several weeks and it was only after the former Justice Minister, Mr Moshe Nissim, intervened that Mr Peres reluctantly gave his permission.

In a secret session of the High Court on Friday Mr

Malka is to lay a complaint against Mr Shalom and Mr Peres on the ground that the Prime Minister himself tried to block investigations of the affair.

These leaks, which have grown from a trickle to a torrent in the past week, come just as the new Attorney-General, Mr Yosef Harish, is making up his mind how to continue the investigation into the hijacking and any subsequent cover-ups.

In Mr Harish's view the facts surrounding the hijacking and deaths of the two men have "been investigated enough. The continued rehashing of the killings is harmful to the state and shows a lack of responsibility".

He is, however, concerned about the claims that there was a cover-up of what happened which was approved by the highest levels of Shin Bet who received two official inquiries. By the end of this week he has promised to announce what kind of investigation, if any, he will want to set up.

Whatever their true source, the latest leaks have made it very difficult for Mr Harish to refuse some kind of investigation.



Dutch police (above) opening the grave of Christian Lindemans yesterday watched by members of his family. The exhumation confirmed that Lindemans (below) had not escaped abroad to a secret life after a fake suicide.



Dutch dig up war traitor's remains

Rotterdam (Reuter) - Police dug up the remains of The Netherlands' most notorious war traitor yesterday and ended years of speculation that he had escaped abroad in 1946 after a fake suicide.

Examination of the remains confirmed that Christian Lindemans, a double agent who betrayed about 250 resistance fighters to the Nazis, died and was buried here 40 years ago despite confusion in the official records.

His bones were dug up from their grave in a Rotterdam cemetery at dawn behind a shield of tight security, with the traitor's surviving brother and two daughters looking on.

Belinda Thome, a former comrade-in-arms of Lindemans, had formally requested the exhumation after several historians suggested that the man who sent several of her wartime companions to their deaths might have survived unscathed.

The last doubt was removed when Mr Martin Voortman, the chief pathologist, said: "As far as we are concerned there is no doubt that this is the body of Mr Lindemans."

Lindemans, a garage mechanic whose massive build earned him the nickname "King Kong", was a resistance hero until he switched sides to save the life of a captured brother.

He had access to the highest levels of Dutch command in the final months of the war and was able to betray dozens of French, Belgian and Dutch resistance cells.

Acid rain rift fails to deter Thatcher

From Tony Samstag, Oslo

In barely a month in office, Norway's new Labour Government has taken the British by surprise in at least one respect: an aggressive line on environmental issues which has already resulted in two strongly worded letters and caused speculation that a visit to Norway by Mrs Thatcher might be cancelled before it was even announced.

The proposed visit was finally confirmed by 10 Downing Street on Monday. It will take place in the autumn, probably in September.

Mrs Sissel Roenbeck, the new Minister for the Environment, has lost no time in warning her British counterpart, Mr William Waldegrave, that the "softly, softly" approach on vexatious issues, such as acid rain, taken by her Conservative predecessor is a thing of the past.

Mrs Roenbeck signalled the start of her offensive at the beginning of this month in her introductory letter to Mr Waldegrave - normally an anodyne document - expressing Norway's "very strong concern" over plans for a fast reactor plant at Dounreay.

Three days later, on World Environment Day, she fired a second round. This time, she accused the British Government of "provocation against international society" because of its failure to install anti-pollution equipment at the new Drax B coal-fired power station in Yorkshire.

The office of the Norwegian Prime Minister, Mrs Gro Harlem Brundtland, confirmed, however, that it had been in touch with the British Embassy here three weeks ago to confirm that the visit was still on, despite the collapse of the Conservative administration which issued the original invitation in April.

Seoul gets a surprise from north

From David Watts, Tokyo

The North Korean military has made an unprecedented approach to its southern counterpart suggesting a meeting to ease tension on the peninsula.

The suggestion was made in a letter from Mr O Jin U, the North Korean Minister of Defence, to his southern opposite, Mr Lee Ki Baek. Mr O suggested the two sides, together with the United Nations command, discuss the halting of both military exercises and the expansion of forces.

It was the first time there had been such contact between the military establishments of the divided peninsula.

The South Korean Government said the "unprecedented" letter was "being closely scrutinized".

Mr O is rumoured to have been in favour of increased contacts for some time: perhaps to counter increased Soviet military influence in the north.

In his letter he said: "If war comes to our country it will be devastated and all of the people will face nuclear disaster."

The reason for the timing of the northern approach is unclear, but it may be a non-too-subtle reminder that it has the military power to disrupt South Korea's carefully laid plans for both the Asian Games in September and October and the Olympic Games in 1988.

The north has proposed a preliminary session between the two commands, which may take place at the truce village of Panmunjom in 10 days. That meeting could lead to a meeting of senior military leaders next month.

Mr O said the north was ready to listen to any suggestions from either the South Koreans or the Americans which may help alleviate tensions.

Anti-Jewish tone returns in Egypt

From Robert Fisk, Cairo

Claims that the Holocaust in Nazi Europe was a myth and that Jews control American banks and the media have resurfaced in the Egyptian press in a disturbing recurrence of anti-Jewish sentiment here.

Israel has in the past complained to President Mubarak about anti-Semitism in Cairo newspapers, and the Egyptian leader has taken steps to suppress offensive material.

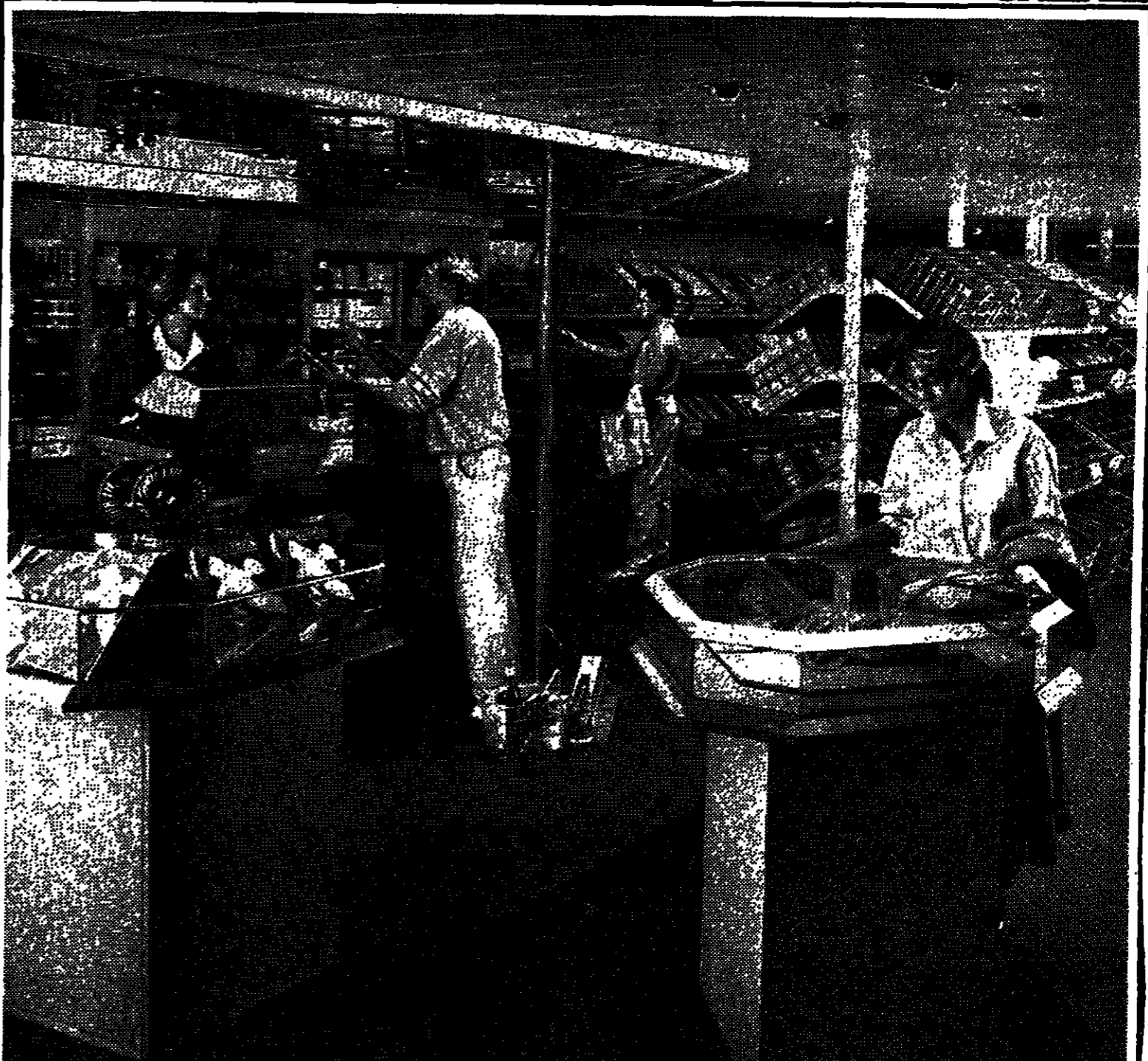
But the latest examples - in the newspapers *Al-Akhar* and *Al-Gomhouria* - have crept into print in editorials about the election of Dr Kurt Waldheim as Austrian President.

Egyptians, like most Arab nations, regarded the Israeli allegations against Dr Waldheim of complicity in war crimes as unwarranted interference in Austrian internal affairs.

But in the state-owned Cairo daily *Al-Gomhouria* last week the columnist Mohamed al-Hayawan goes further than mere criticism, claiming that Israel "has always sought to capitalize on what it constantly describes as Nazi persecution of the Jews. It has always sought to remind Europeans of these fictitious crimes".

The Israelis, Mr al-Hayawan wrote, interfere in the internal affairs of Egypt - by criticizing its relations with

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Papandreou warns against Turkey links Stormy EEC summit looms

From Richard Owen, Luxembourg

This week's two-day meeting of EEC foreign ministers, which ended here yesterday, has left at least three contentious issues for EEC heads of government to deal with at their summit in The Hague in a week's time: the co-ordination of sanctions against South Africa, the growing trade dispute with the US and a simmering row within the EEC over Greek objections to closer links between Turkey and the EEC.

EEC officials said yesterday there was a glimmer of hope over Europe's trade conflict with Washington, which arises from America's complaints that it has lost agricultural markets in Europe because of EEC enlargement.

Washington has already taken largely symbolic action against EEC products over trade arrangements for Portugal which exclude American imports. But the US is threatening more substantial action on July 1 over the loss of markets in Spain for American maize and sorghum. Washington says it will restrict EEC exports of spirits, cheese, wine and vegetables.

The July deadline immediately follows The Hague summit and coincides with the handover of the EEC presidency from The Netherlands to Britain. With France pressing for instant and specific

the prospects for agreement on sanctions against Pretoria by the time of the summit. Officials from the Twelve are urgently drawing up a list of possible measures. But even the most likely sanctions - a ban on South African food imports - is viewed sceptically by Britain. Sir Geoffrey said before leaving for yesterday's Commons debate that a food ban would hit blacks employed in South Africa's food industry rather than the Government in Pretoria.

Diplomats say tensions are also likely at the summit over Greek objections to plans to revive Turkey's Association Agreement with the EEC, which lapsed in 1980 after martial law in Ankara.

An Association Council is to be held in September, under the British presidency. Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, this week warned fellow heads of government and M Jacques Delors, the Commission President, that Ankara's "aggression towards Greece", the oppressive nature of the Ankara Government and its "illegal occupation of a sector of Cyprus" made any revival of EEC links with Turkey "inadmissible".

Despite this warning the foreign ministers appeared determined to go ahead with the September meeting.



Mr Papandreou: revival of EEC ties inadmissible.

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Students clash with police as national strike looms in Chile

From Lake Sagaris, Santiago

Students at universities throughout Chile began boycotting classes and assemblies and holding marches this week as part of a national student strike against military rule.

The first serious incident was on Monday when busloads of heavily-armed riot police blocked access to the University of Chile law faculty, firing grapeshot and tear-gas bombs into the building in an attempt to dislodge a peaceful assembly of students. Later, police supported by soldiers armed with automatic weapons raided several campuses of the University of Chile and the Metropolitan University, arresting more than 100 people, among them seven professors.

At the time of the 1973 military coup, thousands of students were expelled and professors purged. More recently, universities have been restructured to conform to the junta's free-enterprise philosophy.

During the week, students have presented petitions to faculty officials and held several marches around campuses, preparing the way for a two-day national strike in July against the regime, led by Chile's largest opposition coalition, the National Assembly of Civil Society.

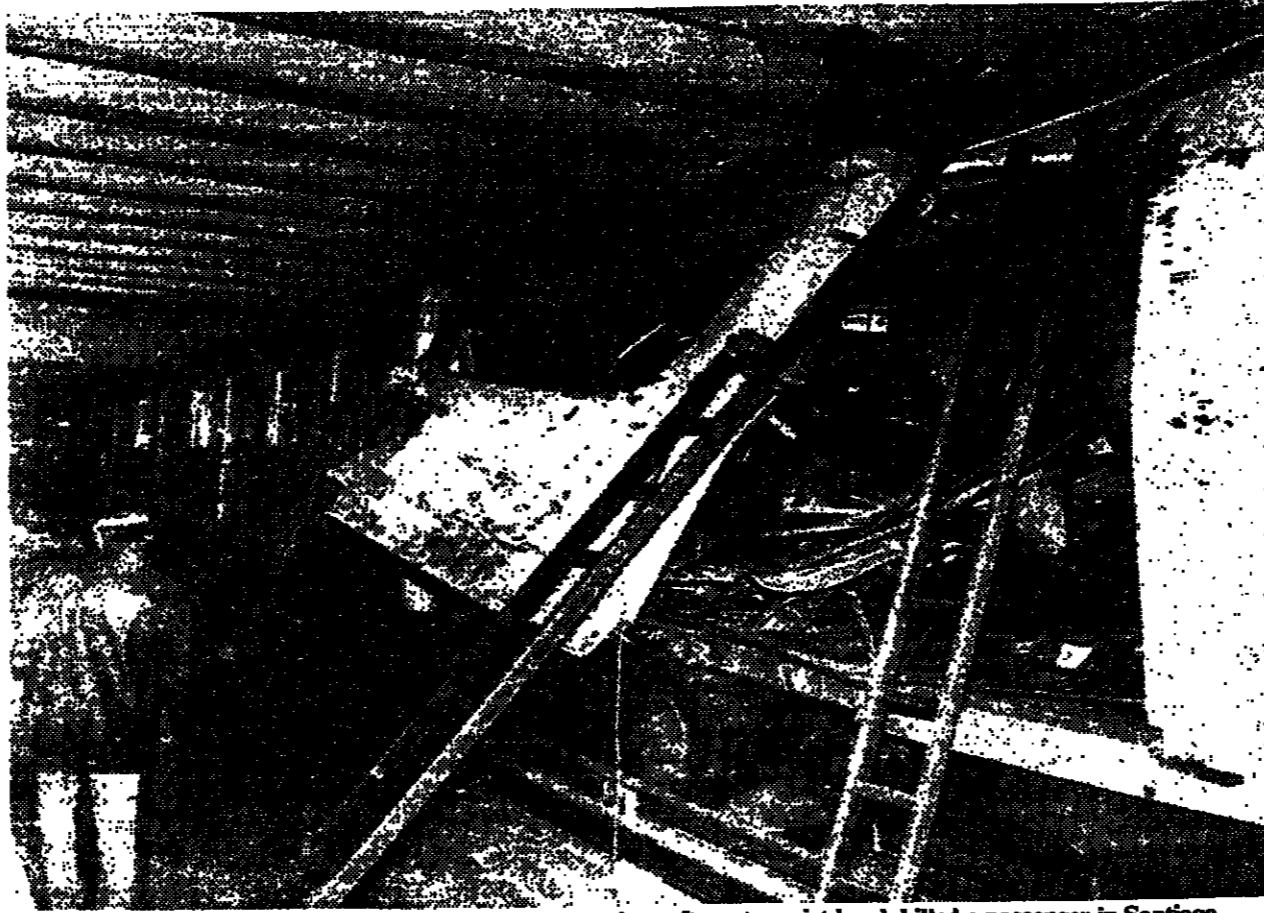
On Monday, spokesmen for the National Association of Lorry Owners, which paved the way for the coup through strikes and other actions, threatened to block highways with lorries if the junta did not respond to the National Assembly's demands.

● **Bomb death:** One man was killed and seven people were wounded when a bomb destroyed a carriage of an underground train yesterday as it left a Santiago station (Reuter reports).

The bomb went off just before the morning rush hour at the Tobalaba station in the heart of Santiago's fashionable suburbs.

Ten minutes earlier, a bomb had exploded in the Los Heroes station in the city centre, causing minor damage. Service was suspended along one stretch of the Tobalaba line. Huge traffic jams built up on main roads to the city centre, compounded by flooding after 24 hours of torrential rains.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack. Leftist guerrilla groups have admitted sabotage bombings and attacks on security forces in the past, but have generally avoided indiscriminate bombings in public.



The damaged remains of an underground railway carriage after a terrorist bomb killed a passenger in Santiago.

Indian holy city faces more riots and arson

Delhi (AP) — Hindu-Muslim rioting and arson flared again yesterday in the Hindu holy city of Allahabad despite a round-the-clock curfew, the United News of India reported.

The news agency said bomb attacks and shootings were reported in the five riot-scarred districts of Allahabad, at the confluence of two rivers

in Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state.

The agency said extra armed police were rushed to Allahabad yesterday after the renewed rioting.

Police arrested 53 people on charges of rioting and arson, raising the number of those in detention to 230, the report said.

Turkey sentences 19 left-wingers to death

Ankara (Reuter) — A Turkish military court in Adana sentenced 19 leftists to death yesterday on charges of trying to overthrow the state and killing 48 people, the Anatolian news agency reported.

Thirteen defendants in the case against the underground organization, Dev Yol (Revolutionary Way), were sentenced to life imprisonment,

while another 156 received jail terms ranging from two to 24 years.

They were charged with trying to establish a Marxist-Leninist state, killing 48 people, including two policemen, attempted murders, armed robbery and assaults in Adana, both before and after the 1980 military coup.

Release of prisoners delayed by mix-up

From Keith Dalton
Manila

The Philippines Government is committed to freeing all political prisoners but problems in distinguishing them from common criminals are hampering their release, the Justice Minister, Mr Neptali Gonzales, said yesterday.

Trapped up criminal charges were often used to jail opponents of former President Marcos and these prisoners, mostly in civilian jails, were not among the 519 political detainees freed from military stockades by the Government of President Aquino, he said.

The Church-backed Task Force Detainees says 596 political prisoners are detained in town and city jails throughout the country.

The Justice Ministry claims to have no official record of the number of political detainees but admits many prisoners have been detained for more than five years, well beyond the minimum jail sentence, and cannot be released on parole because records have been lost.

● **10 killed:** Communist rebels fired automatic weapons and tossed grenades at a village dancing hall where an army captain was giving a speech, killing the officer and nine other people, a military spokesman said yesterday (AP reports).

Fifteen other people were wounded in the attack in Alungan village, 75 miles north of Tacloban City and 355 miles from Manila.

Chittagong tribesmen in raid on settlers

From Ahmed Fazl
Dhaka

The Bangladesh Army was called out at the weekend to quell clashes between Buddhist Chakma tribesmen and Muslim Bengali settlers. Five people were killed and 12 wounded in Bangladesh's troubled south-eastern Chittagong hill tracts.

Troops were rushed to a Bengali hamlet about 15 miles from the township of Dighinala in the region's Khagrachari district after armed tribesmen attacked, killing three Bengalis.

Officials contacted by telephone said the Bengalis later launched a revenge attack on a neighbouring village, hacking two people to death.

They said calm was restored after the Army took up positions around the affected villages.

Authorities said more than 80 Bengalis had been killed in attacks by separatist tribal guerrillas belonging to the outlawed Shanti Bahini (peace force) in the past two months and about 6,000 tribals had crossed into the neighbouring Indian state of Tripura during a security operation to flush out insurgents.

The rebellion in the hills started in 1976 after dissident Chakma and Marma tribesmen opposed the resettlement of Muslim Bengali farmers on tribal lands. More than 10,000 regular troops have since been fighting a jungle war against the guerrillas.

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Eliciting consent defence in rape

Regina v Cox (David)

Before Lord Lane. Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice McCowan and Mr Justice Rose.

[Judgment given June 17] The difficulties involved in section 2 of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 1976 were acknowledged by Lord Lane. Lord Chief Justice, when delivering the judgment of the Court of Appeal allowing an appeal by David Cox, aged 24, of Whitehead, Oldbury, against his conviction at Dudley Crown Court (Judge Evans, QC and a jury) of rape of a complainant aged 20.

Section 2 provides: "If at a trial any person is... charged with a rape offence to which he pleads not guilty, then, except with the leave of the judge, no evidence and no question in cross-examination shall be adduced or asked at the trial, by or on behalf of any defendant at the trial, about any experience of a complainant with a person other than that defendant."

(2) "... the judge shall give leave if and only if he is satisfied that it would be unfair to that defendant to refuse to allow the evidence to be adduced or the question to be asked."

Mr Derek Stanley, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr Christopher Hotten for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that sexual intercourse between the appellant and the complainant took place during a night while her boyfriend who lived with her was detained overnight by the police.

The appellant left the flat at about 8 am and she was rejoined by her boyfriend. Not until about 11.30 pm did she allege that she had been raped by the appellant. Not until 4 am the next day was he arrested by the police and questioned.

The defence was that she consented. The appellant wished to cross-examine her and doubtless adduce evidence about an earlier occasion. It involved that she, while her boyfriend was away, had had sexual intercourse with another man, "Steven". He, somewhat ungalantly, told her boyfriend what had happened. The boyfriend was enraged and tackled the complainant about it, whereupon she said that she had been raped by Steven.

A proof of evidence from Steven was available to the

appellant. In it Steven asserted that sexual intercourse with her consent, he had told the boyfriend about it, he (Steven) had heard that he was being accused of rape by the complainant, had gone round to see the boyfriend and complainant together and, in the boyfriend's presence, the complainant had admitted that she had accused Steven of rape and that the accusation was false.

The trial judge ruled against the application to question her about that occasion. The proper approach — his Lordship acknowledged that it was a difficult matter for any judge to decide in any particular case — was whether it would be unfair to exclude such cross-examination.

In *R v Viola* ([1982] 1 WLR 1138, [143] the court had said: "Questions... going simply to credit will seldom be allowed... On the other hand if the questions are relevant to an issue in the trial... for instance, relevant to the issue of consent... they are likely to be admitted, because to exclude a relevant question on an issue in the trial as the trial is being run will usually mean that the jury are being prevented from hearing something which, if they did hear it, might cause them to change their minds about the evidence given by the complainant."

"But... we are very far from laying down any hard and fast rule."

The effect of the proposed questions and evidence was to indicate that it was not so much the sexual intercourse with Steven which was of importance but what the complainant had said about it afterwards. That really was the subject of the application.

The judge had indicated a line of questioning falling short of the questions which he had ruled against. However, if the defence was to be prevented from putting to the complainant the real nub of the Steven incident, the effect of the cross-examination would be largely lost.

Their Lordships had concluded that to stop the questioning short of that point was unfair to the appellant.

The conviction would be quashed.

Solicitors: Mr I. S. Manson, Birmingham.

Condition of old oven

Morris-Thomas v Petticoat Lane Rentals Ltd

Before Lord Justice May, Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Lord Justice Stocker.

[Judgment given June 17] Where a person had been granted a licence to occupy a 100-year-old oven, the age and condition of which was well known to her, for the purpose of storing, displaying and selling antiques, and no express repairing provision had been incorporated in the licence agreement, there was no basis for implying into the agreement an absolute obligation on the licensor to make and keep the oven reasonably fit for the sale and storage of antiques.

The fact that counsel had made a mistake in presenting his client's case would justify granting a retrial, since that would be unfair to the other side.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismissing an appeal by the plaintiff, Mrs Gwendolyn Mary Morris-Thomas, from an order of Sir Douglas Frank, QC, who, sitting as a deputy High Court judge on March 21, 1984, had dismissed her claim for damages from the defendant, Petticoat Lane Rentals Ltd, the owner of an oven of which she was licensee, in respect of loss and damage

the ingress of water into the oven.

Mr David Parry for the plaintiff; Mr Frederic Reynolds, QC and Mr Michael Brompton for the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE RALPH GIBSON said that the court would not permit a litigant to suffer from the mistake of his lawyer if the mistake could be corrected without injustice to the other side (see *Dovle v Olby (Ironmongers) Ltd* ([1969] 2 QB 158); but when the mistake could only be corrected by letting the plaintiff start again with a fresh trial it would rarely be possible to assist such a plaintiff.

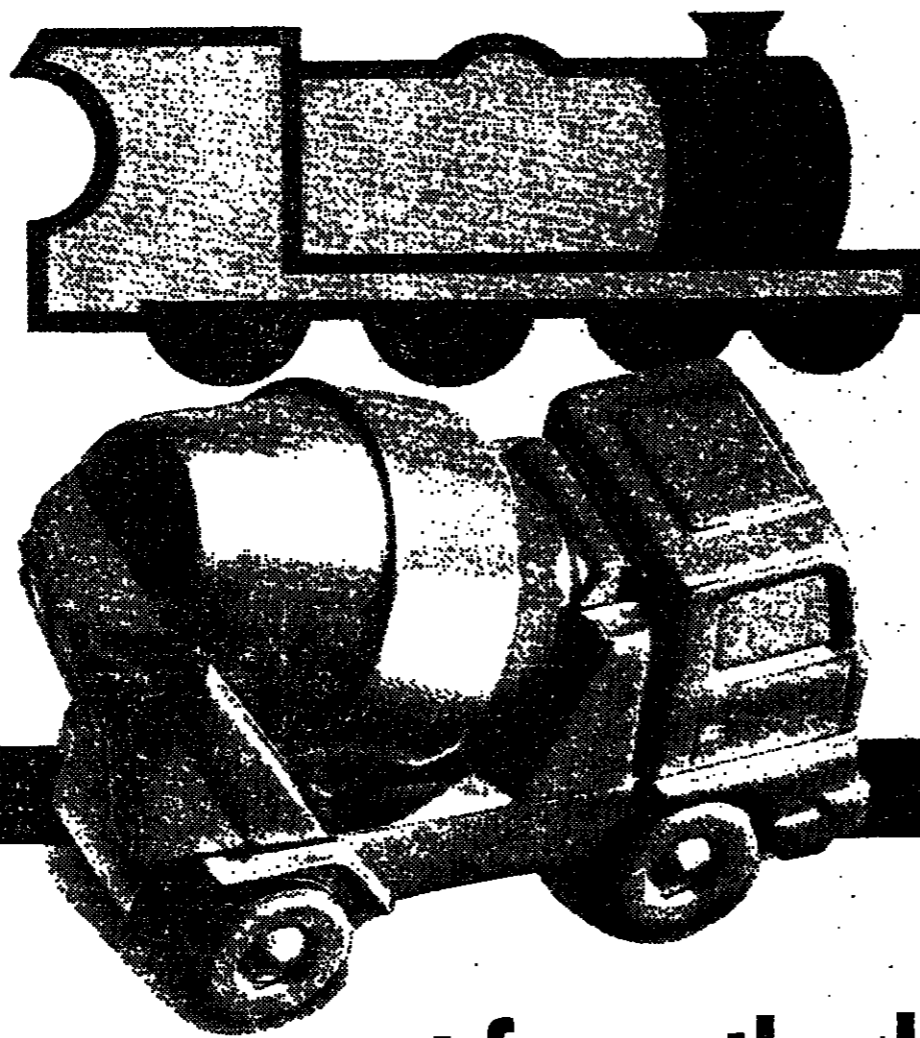
It was impossible to suppose that the defendant, if asked, would have agreed that it should be treated as having warranted the fitness of the oven for the plaintiff's purpose. Such a warranty was in no sense necessary to give efficacy to the agreement.

The defendant was not free to cause or permit the premises to decay so as to render the oven useless to the plaintiff, but it was not necessary to assert such freedom in the defendant in order to deny the existence of the term for which the plaintiff contended.

Solicitors: McCulloch & Wilson, Haworth, Leeds, 1985.

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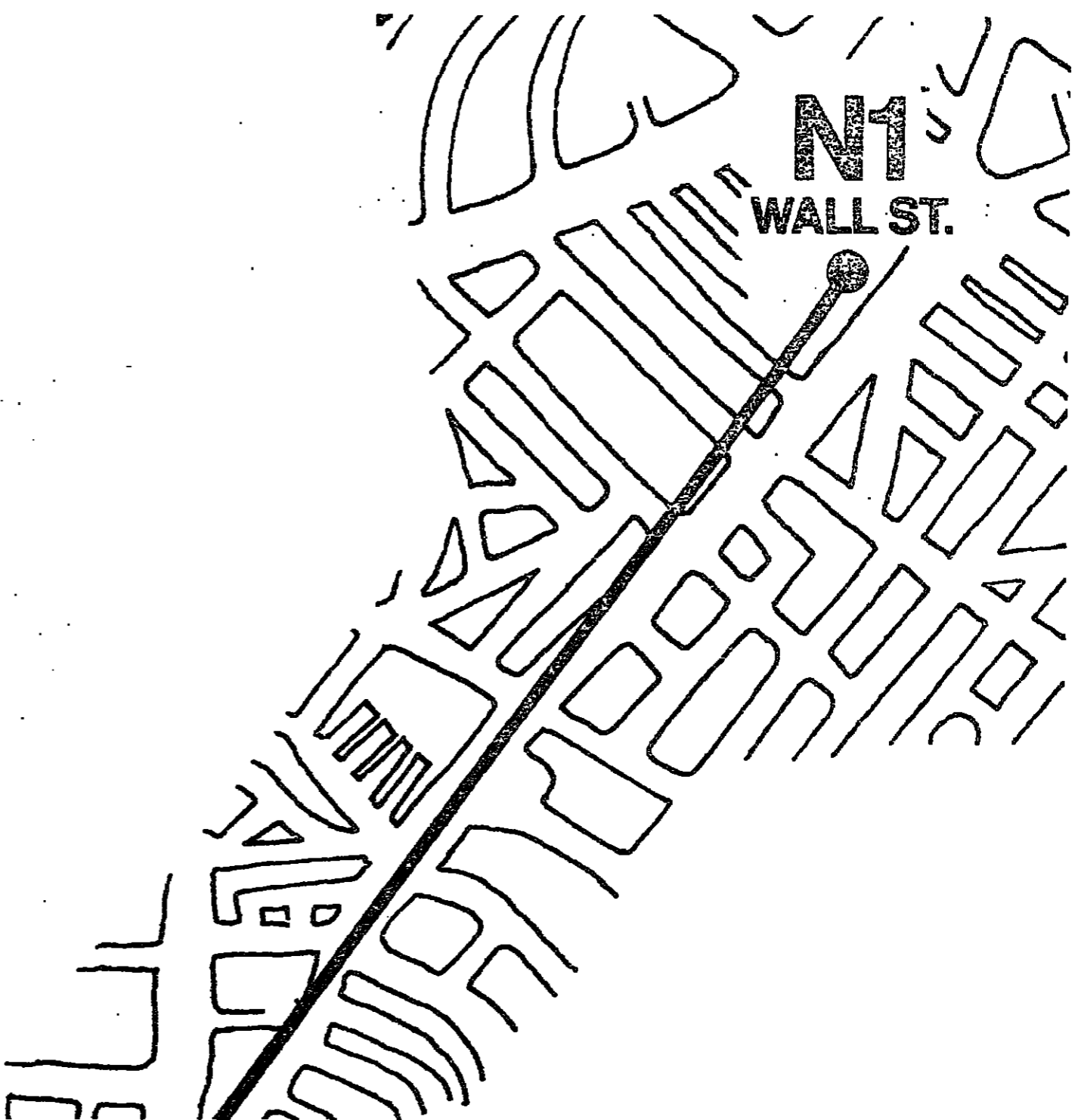
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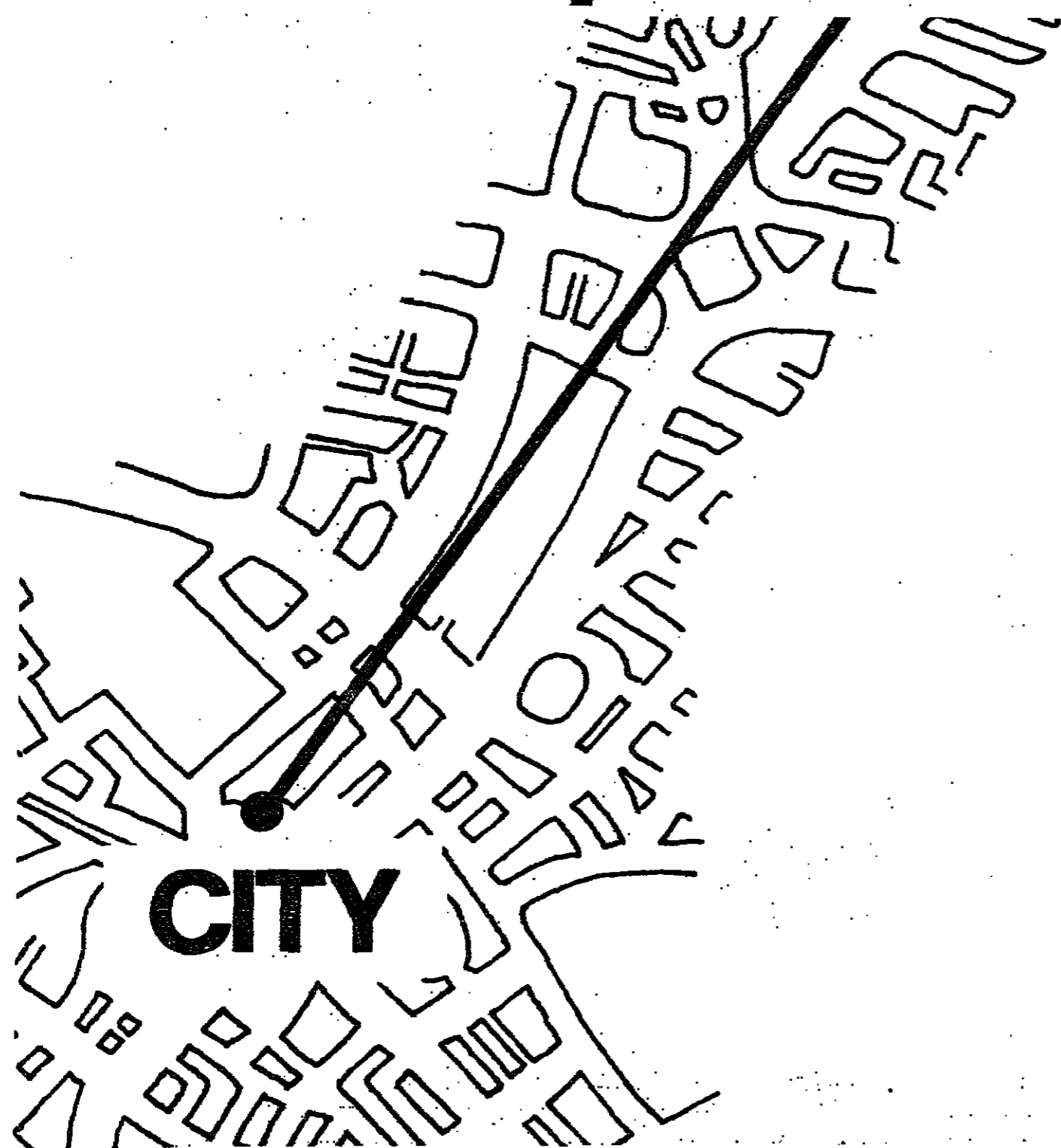
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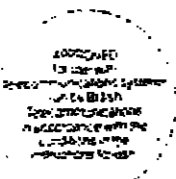
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A new heart for the divided city

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Londonderry was where it all began 17 long years ago. It is a city linked irrevocably with gerrymandering and violence, where on either side of the steep banks of the River Foyle the emotions and fears of two cultures and identities clashed like warring tribes. A city with two names, each more than enough to indicate from which side of the sectarian divide its people are from.

The troubles, as they are euphemistically called, have left their scars on its people, its buildings and demography. Three hundred years of ill-feeling and split blood between Protestant and Roman Catholic have culminated in a city virtually divided by the river flowing in its midst.

Blitzed by the bombers time and time again, blighted by economic depression and some of the highest unemployment in the United Kingdom, the spirit of its people and their pride in their community has not been broken. "Sure it's nothing more than an overblown village. Everybody knows everybody else and there's a tremendous attachment to the place," said one young woman.

Now, having taken just about everything that could be thrown at it, a new spirit is abroad in the city — the spirit that proclaims "we can do it, we will show the world".

In their first season in the League of Ireland football club has attracted up to 12,000 supporters to each home game, astonishing both the club and the League. And in the walled city itself the

Derry Inner City project last week won the top award in *The Times/Royal Institute of British Architects Community Enterprise Scheme*.

Providing training, jobs and interests to hundreds who would otherwise be on the dole, it is an urban renewal programme showing what men driven by a dream for their own community can achieve by persistence and all-round effort. It involves church, commerce and government departments but, most important, it involves the people themselves.

Scrawled on a wall near the project's office are the words "keep Derry tidy — Brits out!". Inside, the scheme's driving force and visionary relishes the irony that he, an uncompromising Republican, longing for the day when Britain packs its bags, shook hands with the Prince of Wales on receiving the award. Affectionately known as "Paddy Bogside" or "King of the Bog", Paddy Doherty, aged 60, smiled at the thought before adding "I had no problem. My line is as long as his line. The O'Dohertys were the last family who with a chieftain at their head fought the British".

He has first-hand knowledge of the effects of the troubles but has refused to be beaten by them. Early on he was prominent in the Republican Bogside, organizing a community when the area was a no-go district. One son is in prison, convicted on the word of an informer of membership of an illegal paramilitary organization; and last year a son-in-law



was shot dead by the Provisional IRA for being an alleged informer. "It's very painful", he says.

Outside his office there is the ever present hum of activity. In one room young men and women operate machines to do the trust's accounts; by the door a fair-haired youth acts as security man; and another jokes with three friends as he hammers away a doorframe. Stephen Friel, a 24-year-old married man with a child of 16 months, has worked as a carpenter on the project for seven months after one and a half years on the dole. "Anything is better than lying around", he says. "At the start nobody wanted to come on this job but now the whole town is looking to get in."

In the yard below two men mix cement and lay a kerb while two more clamber up scaffolding to fix a window in a building being renovated. Alfie Johnston, aged 20, is another who joined the project immediately he left school with



no qualifications and little prospect of a job. In a community workshop he tried his hand at carpentry, plumbing and finally plastering, in which he specialized until fully trained.

He says with evident pride that he is now a qualified plasterer. "It's given me a steady job and wage. I'm pleased that we have shown that we can make it with the rest of them. If I wasn't here I would be doing nothing."

The door to Paddy's office is constantly opening with people seeking his advice and guidance and he is nothing if forthright, calling in a foreman to tell him one building must open within a matter of weeks as he has organized a celebration for visiting Americans whom he hopes to persuade to start with cash.

A carpenter by trade and a father of 13, his visions have transformed and restored part of the city, providing work for 501 people on the Action for Community Employment Scheme for the long-term unemployed and the Youth Training Programme for younger people needing training and skills.

He learnt the lessons of local action in the early 1960s, when he set up a Credit Union as a form of community banking, and through his role in the Bogside. "I want people to take charge of their own areas, to be responsible for house repairs, looking after the elderly, and their own environment. If governments trusted us more we could do it."

Almost 10 years ago he began using unemployed youth to restore derelict buildings. His theory: "People only grow through the willing acceptance of responsibility. That is the centrepiece of our philosophy. Shift responsibility on to ordinary people. I think the Prince is very much into that."

Success in restoring a disused school (about to become an art centre) tempted Paddy to be more ambitious and on a walk around the city he earmarked

bombed-out buildings and others abandoned and decaying for his work. An initial fund-raising exercise got £37,000 to purchase two buildings and a typical mixture of cajoling, pleading and grants from the local council to government departments has brought expansion at an unprecedented speed. Banks parted with £250,000 and a branch of the World Council for Churches gave £152,000 after being persuaded that the city deserved support because it was really a Third World area.

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Paddy Doherty

The trust has an annual turnover of £2m; eight buildings have been restored; three are being worked on, including one restored and then damaged in a Provisional IRA bomb attack; and a further 11 are on the drawing board.

In Londonderry the restored buildings hum to the activity of young people being trained in carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, computers, jewellery-making and graphics. Others restored by youngsters learning their skills as they go have been leased to government departments, and three have been rented as shops in the city centre. One of the great successes was an art exhibition by six "tough kids" who had been taught art for five months.

In a city as divided as Londonderry the overwhelming majority involved in the project are nationalists. Many Protestants privately admire the quality of the work, but would be uneasy working in the predominantly nationalist city centre; others are suspicious of involvement with something that has a Republican as its motivating force.

Paddy says: "If Northern Ireland is to achieve anything it will be through the two traditions coming together. But don't make me out as some kind of patsy trying to bring both communities together. My job is to create the space where it can happen. Naturally, if at all. At the moment we're showing the world and leading the way with community action which is doing something for the morale of everyone."

The serious business of 87th Police Precinct, Isola

Last month *Newsweek* magazine voted Ed McBain's *Ice* one of the 10 best crime novels of the century. He was one of only two living writers on the list. The choice of that novel as his finest would probably not be shared by most critics; but his place among the greats of the genre would not be questioned.

Just as Dashiell Hammett and Raymond Chandler dominated the fictional world of the private eye, so McBain for the past 30 years has been the master of the novel in which police procedure plays the central part. Television series like *Hill Street Blues* are direct descendants, though mention of that series annoys McBain. He is careful not to say that he believes it to be a direct crib, but he speaks of it with heavy irony as "borrowing" his ideas.

Like Sherlock Holmes's Baker Street, McBain's 87th Police Precinct in the fictional city of Isola has assumed a cosy familiarity with millions of readers in countless coun-

tries. Over 39 novels and hundreds of passing police characters, Detective Steve Carella has emerged as the most important and sympathetic single figure. "I actually killed Carella in my third book, but my agent and publisher complained. I had to take the manuscript back and resurrect him", McBain recalls.

Ed McBain is a pseudonym of novelist Evan Hunter. Between the two of them they have written more than 60 books, and Hunter doubles as a screen writer (Hitchcock's *The Birds* is among his credits). McBain has also published five prime novels featuring Florida attorney Matthew Hope, and his latest work, *Another Part of the City*, published tomorrow (Hamish Hamilton, £9.95) introduces New York's Fifth Precinct.

McBain likes and admires cops. "They are underpaid, overworked and do a job that's enormously stressful, under a great deal of psychological



pressure. They deal with a side of society with which the average citizen would not want to come into contact, and they do it 24 hours a day.

"They become policemen because of a high sense of idealism. Some drop out or become over-cynical or even dishonest. But I'm convinced that most of them want to be the good guys getting the bad guys."

Occasionally McBain's fictional cops are a little too

pleasant and sympathetic to be totally convincing. But that is clearly what his public wants. "What appeals to my readers is the humanity of the cops. They are less concerned with who solves the crime and who did it than with human things like whether the detective is ever going to find happiness with his girl. They want to be sure that Carella is never going to cheat on his wife. Once when in the course of duty Carella had to kiss another woman I received indignant letters."

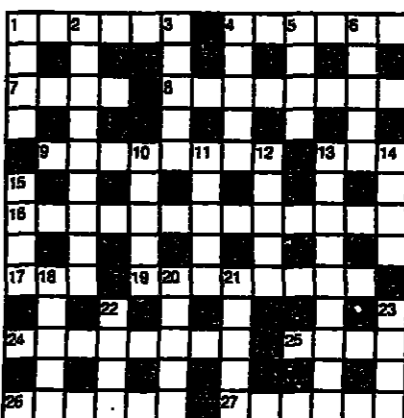
His public have also surprisingly taken to his frequent villain, known only as the Deaf Man, who regularly and with increasing viciousness makes fools of the police and is never captured. "I've been accused, as Evan Hunter, of writing very moral stories. I think I agree, and it's also true of my 87th Precinct books. Transgressors and sinners almost always get punished. At present the Deaf Man is an exception. I don't quite know what to do with him. He's also very difficult to write, because he's brilliant and I'm not. So I have to work very hard."

McBain has always taken his writing seriously. Now a young-looking 59, he grew up poor, in New York's Italian Harlem, the son of a postman. Then came art college, a stint in the navy and the decision to become a writer, accompanied by talking on the name of Evan Hunter instead of his original long Italian one.

He seems to regret adopting

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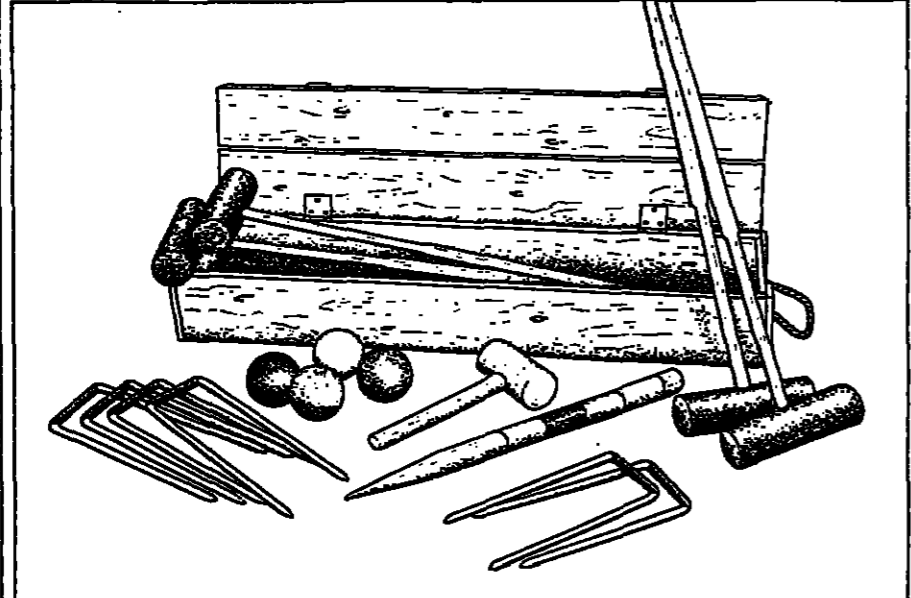


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Frank Atkinson was nine when he found the fossil of a tiny shell near his home in Barnsley. That discovery was enough to start him on a lifetime of collecting. The items he has amassed since have grown somewhat, both in size and scope—at one time his collection was so vast it filled the entire headquarters and parade ground of the former Durham Light Infantry while awaiting a permanent home.

Now it forms the basis of the 264-acre Beamish open air museum in County Durham, whose farm, mine and working trams and steam trains recreate an authentic slice of the North-east's past. At one time his collection was so vast it filled the entire headquarters and parade ground of the former Durham Light Infantry while awaiting a permanent home.

The award to Beamish as the 1986 National Heritage Museum of the Year is testimony to the vision of Frank Atkinson, the museum's director. Now aged 62, and a self-confessed inveterate collector, he first conceived the idea of an open-air museum for this country while visiting a similar project in Scandinavia in 1952. He first put the suggestion to local councillors in 1958.

Another 12 years of political wrangling and financial uncertainty passed, however, before work finally began on converting the former regional coal board headquarters at Beamish.

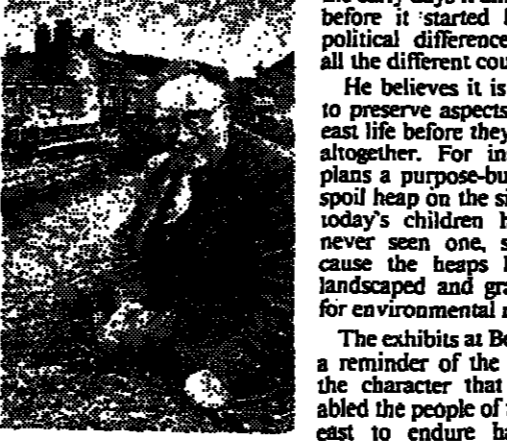
The museum's success is now evident. It employs 200 staff, attracts 250,000 visitors a year and generates enough income to meet two thirds of its annual £1½ million expenditure. The rest comes from nine local councils.

The museum includes a Victorian farm, an old drift mine, miners' cottages, working trams and its own railway station and steam locomotives. But the latest and perhaps most popular development is the re-creation of a town street from the 1920s.

The six Georgian terrace

Slice of life at Beamish

Award for the man who recreated the North-east's past



Frank Atkinson: 'I had to be pig-headed'

houses were demolished on a site in Gateshead and rebuilt at Beamish brick by brick, as was the old Sun Inn, transported from Bishop Auckland, and the former Co-operative store from the pit-village of Annfield Plain, near Consett.

The street, its house interiors and packed shelves at the Co-op, all uncannily accurate in detail, daily revive memories for the elderly visitors and fascinate today's children, who live in more complicated times.

Work on Beamish is not yet complete, with a £1 million project under way to provide parking facilities for 1,000 cars and a new visitors' centre being constructed from an 18th-century stable block.

Mr Atkinson lives in the village of Ovingham, 30 minutes' drive away, in a

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To love, honour — and share

An increasing number of couples are willing to share the household chores, but as Alison Miller discovers, equality is nowhere near as widespread as many would have us believe

Some people say that you can tell as much about a marriage by who does what as by anything either partner says. Domestic labour is part of the lottery of married life and a means by which many feelings are expressed.

The most recent figures from a 1981 survey by Market & Opinion Research International (MORI) on the division of domestic labour suggest that women are not exploiting a greater willingness among men to share the chores, and that it is not until retirement that any real measure of equality emerges.

It is a fact demonstrated in the 1986 edition of *Social Trends*, produced by the Central Statistical Office and published by Her Majesty's Stationery Office. Eleven per cent more women do the washing and ironing than need to; 16 per cent could have help with cooking the evening meal and 19 per cent with the shopping.

Of married couples polled, 64 per cent say washing-up should be shared in the evening, 62 per cent are for sharing the shopping, and 58 per cent would like to share the organization of household money and bills.

Eighty-three per cent say that repairs of household equipment are carried out by men — and 79 per cent that they should be. Eighty-eight per cent of married women still do all the washing and ironing, 77 per cent cook the evening meal and 72 per cent do all the cleaning.

The report says that "for each household task, the proportion of couples where the task is undertaken mainly by the woman is always higher than the people concerned think it should be... one aspect not obvious from the table is the tendency for married men to overstate the extent to which they shared the housework."

A hundred years ago, division of labour in the home was a question of whether the wife was mistress of the house or a housewife. The functions of the mistress, Mrs Becton wrote, "resemble those of the general of an army or the manager of a great business concern."

The term housewife "seems more fittingly applied to those who personally conduct their domestic affairs than to others who govern with the assistance of a large staff of well-trained servants". Now the question is not so much which type of housekeeper you are, but what kind of relationship is shown by who does what. *The Times* decided to contrast two generations of married couples in one family and then looked at how their attitudes compared with the findings of the pollsters.

Bruce Aitken, aged 58, is the son of a former RAF officer. Educated at Sherborne, he won an exhibition to Cambridge where, he says, "unfortunately I met a girl at Girton and we got on all right". The girl, Anna, the daughter of a suffragette, was reading moral philosophy. She is now Bruce's wife.

She says: "My mother was so insistent about brother and sister being equal that I had a fearfully expensive education — I got married at 24 and had four children by the time I was 32. It wasn't until I was 43 that I started getting a conscience and felt I had to do something about it."



Robert and Kathy Aitken: separate careers but joint responsibility at home

'He doesn't do the Hoovering or clean the bath, but he'll iron his shirt and we'll go to the launderette together'



Bruce and Anna Aitken: a case of the breadwinner male and the domestic wife

'Bruce does nothing about the house except Hoovering. He doesn't iron or wash up and certainly can't cook'

Anna — "born of the British Raj" — settled into the expatriate life of gin-and-pink, house servants and local ayahs to look after the children. "I never did a thing, and I have never washed a floor." When their eldest child was eight the family moved back to England so that they could get on with schooling. Bruce went into industry, winding up at the Department of Economic Affairs for four years.

"The thing gradually folded", he says, "but fortunately I knew a stockbroker. It was 1971. At that time you were paid a very small salary and a huge bonus, which was all very well, but in 1974, when the market collapsed, I had four children to keep on £3,000 a year and no bonus."

began. I'm probably earning a lot less now than he is and doing more work than he's ever done, but it doesn't worry me. The partners I have known for 20 years are now knocking at my door saying, 'What's Robert doing? Can we ask him round to lunch?' and all this sort of rubbish."

Today the couple live in a village near Dartford, Kent, with Anna's elderly father in a house at the end of the garden. She has trained as a nurse and works part-time in an ophthalmic ward at St Mary's Hospital, Sidcup.

Their day starts with Anna's alarm going off at 5.15am. "I get up, feed my quails, my doves, have a bath and finally wake up Bruce. I push him off to work — we have two cars so he takes his. I've never made breakfast for anyone in my life. Bruce has coffee from his tea-making machine. I've always believed in everyone looking after themselves."

Bruce does nothing round the house except Hoovering — he doesn't iron, he doesn't wash and he certainly can't cook. I just couldn't do without Doris, our daily. She cleans the silver, does the windows, and the Hoovering when Bruce's not there. She makes the beds with me and she cleans up the dog's mess.

"Bruce can't clean the bath and never hangs anything out. He doesn't feed the quails. Doris and I spend our time picking things up after him. When he's having a male bride four, I do all their sandwiches before I go off to work and this is where it is so unfair — having to put his beer out. But when I give barbecue parties for the staff on my ward, Bruce is wonderful and everyone adores him, so it does balance out. The truth is I'd collapse completely without Doris."

Bruce says: "The first thing we bought when we came back from Malaya wasn't a bed but a dishwasher. A lot of people in this country

would never think that was the main priority, but it was and we've had one ever since. I do all the loading and unloading and filling it with powder — in other words I do all the washing-up. I can make boiled eggs and poached eggs. I do all the heavy stuff — things where she says 'I'll leave that to you'."

"I do all the gardening, not only for me but for her father who lives next door. I've had to build her five ponds, and what does she do but buy 100 fish which have been breakfast for the heron. I walk the dogs. And I'll lay the table for a dinner party, clear away, do the coffee — and all the washing-up."

Robert Aitken, their second child, is 30 and riding the "big bang" in the City. He lives with Kathy, whom he married eight months ago, in a basement flat in Fimlico. Educated at Tonbridge, Kent, Robert did his foundation course in accountancy at the City of London Polytechnic before training at Touche Ross, where he met Kathy, who had read agricultural botany at Reading.

After secondment to a firm of stockbrokers, he joined Henderson Crosswhite. "After 18 months they asked me to stay and last year I became a partner. Now we're being taken over by Guinness Mahon, the merchant bankers. In the old days, having become a partner would have been the end of the story. Now we're going into a corporate structure and heaven knows where it will end up. Ultimately, the ambitious ones will aim for chairmanship of the whole Guinness Peat Group."

Kathy, 28, who did accountancy after her botany, is a treasury analyst at a firm of market researchers in the pharmaceutical industry. They sleep with separate alarm clocks. Robert says: "I get up early to join a partner on the drive to work. Kathy gets up later and takes the Tube. We don't have breakfast but quite often we'll ring each other in the day to see who is getting the food. We share the cooking — she'll do two meals and I'll do two. We wash up together next day."

Kathy says: "Usually we eat out or have a take-away. Sometimes I'll shop late round the corner on the way home. We have two cars but neither of us uses them in the week. Since we married, money hasn't been tight. Robert pays our joint mortgage. I plan holidays and do anything mundane. He'll ring me up at work and get me to see that the central heating is fixed. He doesn't do the Hoovering, or clean the bath out, but he'll iron his shirt and we'll go to the launderette together." They don't have a joint bank account and they share the domestic bills.

Although the lifestyles in two generations of the same family are different, all are agreed that it should be the woman who looks after the children when they are sick, and that family discipline should be shared equally, as should gardening and paying the bills.

Where Bruce and Anna agree that washing, ironing, cleaning and shopping should be done by Anna, the younger Aitkens say they should be shared equally, as should household repairs, which the parents say is Bruce's job.

Anna believes that the evening meal should be her responsibility and so, too, should domestic finance. Her husband, son and daughter-in-law all say they should be shared. Only Kathy says that she should do the cleaning.

All of which tends to suggest that young couples without children are disposed to help each other in many ways — and that older working couples find it easier to hold on to old habits than to let them go. The vast majority of all people polled by MORI and the Central Statistical Office are still stuck with stereotype marriages — and presumably with children — where the man is the main breadwinner and the wife looks after the home.

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Killing off pride and perfection

FIRST PERSON

Libby Purves

I feel a bit like Jonah, casting doom and shipwreck on maternity homes. Every time I have a baby they seem to close the hospital down. The first time was in London, in 1982: I gave birth at a splendid little institution called the British Hospital for Mothers and Babies, in Woolwich.

It was quite famous, in its day; for 77 years midwives trained there and moved on to hospitals all over the country and the world, notably to the Missions. I have yet to meet any group of middle-aged midwives among whom the name of the good old British did not raise an affectionate smile.

It was, admittedly, a worn and battered sort of place after the birth I was bundled into a wheelchair, baby in arms, and covered in a mackintosh to be pushed across an open drive to the post-natal "House of the Star". Primitive, they say, apologetically; but the midwife and the porter who took us on that dawn ride through the rain were infinitely solicitous of me and my new son, and a glimpse of the warm, flowery little chapel as we bowed past it was worth any amount of new paint and designer-tiling in a modern hospital.

We mothers loved the British, we wrote our babies' names in its ancient Birthday Book and paid our subscriptions with pride; we were grateful for its smallness and intimacy and for the sense of seven decades' dedication to maternity.

But they closed the British all the same. Statistics, slide-rule predictions and centralist theories converged upon it, and since July 1984 there have been no babies in the wards and no flowers in the chapel.

And then I had a baby here, in Suffolk. She was born in the amiable but hurried atmosphere of the huge maternity block in Ipswich, and moved after a day to a delightful place called the Phyllis Memorial Maternity Home. It serves the long, straggling coastal strip, enabling post-natal mothers to be visited more easily by their families in this rural area.

Infinitely reassuring old-fashioned nursing

It was founded in 1929 by a wealthy family in memory of a daughter who died in childbirth. The NHS took it over, and has run it for half a century as a superb maternity home, doing fewer and fewer deliveries but concentrating on the vital and underrated work of getting new mothers happy and fit to go home after their week's rest.

At the Phyllis, as at the old British, mothers and babies are never rushed or forced into routines, never have to be ignored in favour of acute cases at the other end of the block: they are glowingly important, cared for and remembered long afterwards by the staff.

They come back and run fetes, stab together to buy new chairs for the rest room. I used to walk out into the small rose-garden in my nightdress, still dazed from shortage of sleep, and find solace in the early blooms growing on the rose-tree which commemorated Sister

Peck's 25 years in the hospital. Sister Peck herself would be indoors, whisking around, creating comfort and security. There are several long-service records at the Phyllis; girl babies who were first breast-fed under careful guidance from a young midwife now turn up with their own babies to learn the same lesson. Infinitely reassuring old-fashioned nursing is given day and night; relaxed, watchful, utterly dedicated. And small-scale.

So, naturally, the Phyllis is now for the chop. Any day now we expect the health authority to dismiss the protests and name the last day. Rural GPs plead that their patients need to be closer to home than Ipswich; mothers point out that nobody has ever produced statistics on the further progress of Phyllis families — it could well be that they have fewer problems, and end up costing the NHS less in tranquillizers and GP visits. Nobody bothers to top up the cost-saving of breast-fed babies' healthier infancies, either.



But the argument rarely used, because it would not even be understood by government departments, is that such places have souls. And that once you kill off a beloved old community-based institution, you will never get it back: generations of loyalty and dedication and patient perfectionism will be dissipated and wasted. Ironically, so will the spirit of economy and careful use of resources that goes with high morale and traditional values.

It seems odd, sometimes, that a Government which preaches excellence and good housekeeping and hard work, should not be able to see when the embodiment of all these virtues is staring it right in the face. They should be sending study groups in to find out why these places are so good; not closing them down.

We all have our car stickers saying "Fight for the Phyllis"; but we don't have much hope. Not really. Centralization, rationalization, a health service that looks wonderful on paper, is what we are going to get. We have seen it where business administrators have replaced awesome matrons; we see it when huge hospitals replace local ones. The people in the system will go on doing their best, as individuals; but unsupported by the intangible strengths of atmosphere and tradition of institutional people. O brave new world.

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If they were ever to ask me to do Body Language at O-level, I used to think I'd stand a pretty good chance. All that business about how to take up position at a drinks party and observe who's actually yawning bored with whom, who's frightened of whom, and who likes whom.

I'm even pretty good at spotting shoplifters in our local supermarket. Now and again you can see someone whose body movements are out of synchronization with the rest of the hypnotized shufflers. Jerky little gestures, furtive eye shifting, and (a dead giveaway, this one) slowly moving backwards out of the in-door with laden trolley.

A long train journey is an excellent time for doing body language revision. Even if you can't stare at people directly, you can always observe them reflected in the window.

I was standing at Crews station the other day with several million other people, waiting for the slow stopping train from Dundee to Poole. We surged forward when the train halted. Too many bored faces gazed out: wonderful body language material, but hopeless for finding a decent spare seat. A quick sprint down the aisle and I couldn't believe it — a forward-facing window seat spare. And the next seat to it.

Throwing myself in I rapidly established territorial rights with the punk youth opposite. The train drew away and we were soon among the restful scenery of green fields.

But it was not restful for long. Down the corridor strode a fellow in his late 30s, well dressed, with purposeful bearing. There were still several aisle seats vacant, yet without a second's hesitation, he banged himself down next to me.

The jolt startled both me and the punk. The newcomer proved to be a most disturbing fellow traveller. There was no armrest between us and I couldn't believe how insensitive the man could be.

The man sat too large and too close for comfort. Was he a common trailing woman traveller on their own? Would he wait until I got off at Didcot and follow me through the fields to Wantage? There was no denying that he was radiating a set of very strong emotions.

At Oxford he suddenly stood up. Reaching over my head to the luggage rack he pulled down a mackintosh, umbrella and briefcase.

His mackintosh, umbrella and briefcase. For 120-odd miles I had been too busy misinterpreting his body signals to notice that I was sitting in his seat. Ah, but where was he when I boarded at Crews? Could such a restrained individual have been performing that most irregular of acts while the train was standing at the station?

Vivien Tomlinson
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THE POLICE STATE ADVANCES

When the South African Deputy Information Minister, Mr Louis Nel, was seeking an example of the kind of press bias that his government's new censorship regulations are supposedly intended to curb, he claimed that foreign journalists had not sufficiently distinguished in their reporting between blacks shot by the police and blacks killed by other blacks.

The sceptic might observe that if censorship is being imposed to remedy such a complaint, then it will inevitably prove to be self-defeating. Once reporters are forbidden to report riots and unrest, then they will be forbidden ipso facto to report the circumstances of the deaths in such rioting.

The sceptic will finally wonder if there are not darker motives behind the Minister's argument. Perhaps the South African police wish to be able to shoot black people away from the embarrassing glare of media publicity that reporters bring in their train.

In short, the arguments used to justify the censorship regulations do not soothe any of the fears expressed by either journalists or the general public. They actually serve to create new anxieties.

THE SIGNALS FROM TRIPOLI

Two months after the American air raid on his capital, Colonel Gaddafi of Libya is reported to be in deep trouble. He failed to appear at a rally last week, instead marking the anniversary of his accession to power with a television monologue which was not even live.

The answer to that could still be - nothing. Gaddafi has disappeared and reappeared before, thereafter continuing with his highly individual style of government as if nothing had happened.

The length of his political convalescence since the raid and the evidence that can now be accumulated, suggests however that for once they may well have got it right.

PRINCE OF SIGHTS

Prince Philip is a tall man - and he speaks from an elevated point of view. He has also just celebrated his sixty-fifth birthday, an occasion which may beget a certain elevated regret even in princes.

of the authorities. Without that permission, the news media are prohibited from disseminating, within or outside South Africa, any news or comment concerning any action taken by the security forces to protect the safety of the public, maintain public order or terminate the state of emergency.

Such a wide-ranging prohibition, if faithfully observed, would render all reporting from South Africa absurd. Newspapers could report cattle-shows, economic statistics, company accounts, even beauty contests - all the incidents and apparatus of normal everyday life when the world knew that a state and society was being shaken to its foundations.

There is just enough truth in this to make it pernicious. South Africa has long been a curious society in which oppressive government practices were restrained at the margin by a remnant of liberal institutions - a semi-free press, an independent judiciary, outspoken churches.

As the EPG (Eminent Persons Group) report makes clear, we are faced with the threat of nationwide conflagration in South Africa, with resultant suffering to the whole of southern Africa and only determined, united measures can prevent this.

Now, however, that voice is being stifled. The police state has extended its sway not just over journalists, but over the right of South Africans and outsiders to know what is going on at the moment of greatest crisis.

Putting pressure on South Africa

From the High Commissioner for the Republic of Zambia Sir, I refer to your recent leading article, "The Commonwealth and sanctions" (June 10), in which an argument was constructed on the suggestion that President Kaunda had warned her Majesty the Queen of the possibility of a Commonwealth break-up unless Britain agrees to sanctions against South Africa.

As to the merit of sanctions, Zambia needs no lectures on this. When, at the request of HM Government and the UN, we in Zambia imposed sanctions against the illegal Smith regime, we were the first to suffer and our economy still suffers as a result.

Your article states that sanctions will cause black unemployment, and this is admitted even by the majority of South Africans who still feel that only the demonstrated strength of the outside world will avert a disaster.

Trade with Europe

From Mr Basil de Ferranti, MEP for Hampshire Central (European Democrat (Conservative)) Sir, Making it as easy to trade in Europe as it is in the United States would not only save 80 pence in every £10 we spend, but is an essential freedom if we are to maintain living standards and reduce the numbers of unemployed.

The recent changes to the Rome Treaty in favour of encouraging the use of majority voting in the very technical areas involved. This means making it easier for salesmen from one European country to get orders in another, and making it possible for lorries to cross the frontiers without having three-hour delays and paperwork, which incur £9 billion of unnecessary costs.

Levy on housing

From Mr C. Mackenzie Sir, Mr Christopher Johnson, Lloyds Bank economic adviser, is reported (June 9) as suggesting the replacement of the current domestic rating system by a levy of 15 per cent VAT on new houses and an indexed CGT (capital gains tax) of 29 per cent.

Quite apart from the impact of the former on house starts (pay now, benefit later), what effect would the latter have on the decision by house owners whether to move? This may be expected to considerably undermine the predictable economic model of a regular annual levy and find the local authority director of finance having to juggle with a slow, quick, quick, quick, slow...

No, one may assume (despite the diminishing benefit of income tax relief on mortgage repayments) that home owners would decide not to move at all - at least for as long as possible. Mind you, this may encourage Mr Johnson's employers to find an alternative use for the expanding chain of estate agents that they are currently publicising.

Stag hunt decision

From the Chairman of the British Field Sports Society Sir, Mr Richard Course's intemperate attack on the farmers of Exmoor (June 5) will cause no surprise. Somerset County Council rejected the motion against hunting which his friends promoted because a majority of councillors had the good sense to realise that if hunting was stopped the herds of red deer would disappear - as they so nearly did when hunting lapsed in the 19th century.

Deer worth more than £300 as venison or as much as £1,000 as trophies, crossing and recrossing several individual holdings every night would, if they ceased to be seen as a common resource, sooner or later be converted into cash.

The League Against Cruel Sports now appear to suggest they should be allowed to mastermind some sort of armed quango to "manage" the herd. Exmoor is a patchwork of different landownership. Is it proposed that this body should have power to enter private land at will and against the owners' wishes in order to shoot the deer?

Such a proposal would involve radical and threatening changes in the law. It is a preposterous idea and the public should be aware of what might be involved.

A student's death at Oxford

From the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University Sir, With court proceedings pending it is clearly improper to comment on a recent tragic death in this university.

First, students of this university are as a community hard-working and dedicated to achieving success - in examinations and in research. For this purpose physical and mental fitness are essential, as they well know.

Secondly, the health and welfare of the students is the constant concern of the college authorities. In the experience of college heads and deans the taking of drugs by students is rare. College doctors tell me that the incidence of drugs among students here is less than among comparable age groups outside the university.

Finally, while it is not possible in the space of a short letter to controvert every erroneous statement in your leading article, I must take exception to the extraordinary description of the undergraduate courses at Oxford as "very loosely-structured education".

Channel tunnel

From Sir John Arbuthnot Sir, Brigadier Calvert, in his letter today (June 13), quotes Sir Auckland Geddes as saying "the property owners of Kent have always been prepared to sacrifice their only sons for their country, but not one square yard of their land".

There is also the factor of increased employment, not only in the building of the tunnel but also in the rolling stock which will be necessary. You are faithfully, JOHN ARBUTHNOT, Poulton Manor, Ash, Canterbury, Kent, June 13.

SDP and defence

From Professor David Marquand Sir, You describe (leading article, June 10) Mrs Shirley Williams, Mr William Rodgers and Mr John Roper as "professional fudgers". What precisely have they fudged? Presumably, Mrs Williams's crime is to point out that the proposals contained in the report of the joint Alliance commission on defence are in line with the existing policy of the SDP.

Embassy garden

From Sir William Hayter Sir, It is sad to hear from your diary (June 9) that the project of building on the garden of the British Embassy in Vienna is still alive. This is one of the handsomest of all British embassies, but when I was a secretary there in the thirties it was marred by the total absence of any space round it (it used to have a garden, and the embassy church stood in it until a road was driven between them). The World War II destruction of a neighbouring block enabled this lack to be remedied.

The hippy convoy

From Mr Reg Collett Sir, How I laughed when I read the letter written by Mrs Judith Verity (June 12). Her reference to "the hippy caravan" as a "relatively harmless proportion" of the population could only have been written from London SW15!

ment in your leading article, I must take exception to the extraordinary description of the undergraduate courses at Oxford as "very loosely-structured education". Yours faithfully, PATRICK NEILL, University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, June 17.

From Mr Leonard Cox Sir, May I refer to your leader this morning? There is nothing "peculiar" about the poignancy of early death, whether or not the victim has come from a privileged background, and there must be very few deaths at the age of 22 that cannot be described as "untimely".

Fourthly, it is wrong to insinuate that the university authorities "regard post-examination revelry, even when it gets out of hand, as just another tradition to be maintained". I know of no basis of fact which could possibly substantiate this suggestion.

Cleaning up

From Mr C. F. MacLaren Sir, If Mrs Thatcher wants cleaner, litter-free British streets she might do worse than send a competent delegation to Leningrad to ask the city fathers how it's done.

Signs of the times

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Price (ret'd) Sir, Reading Major-General Braggins's letter (June 13) on the "bricks and mortar" course reminded me of a major-general's wife who said her husband was due to finish one of these courses. She was consequently rushed off her feet getting all the plumbing, electrical repairs, carpentry and painting tasks up to date before he came home.

From Mr C. M. Kingdon Sir, I am glad to hear that the "pull-your-finger-out" school of philosophy, if with any, should tell *Woman's Own* that "the older I get, the more cynical I get, in the sense that I just think things are going to get worse".

From Mr William Hayter Sir, If Mrs Thatcher wants cleaner, litter-free British streets she might do worse than send a competent delegation to Leningrad to ask the city fathers how it's done.

In a week just spent there, seeing thousands of people, mostly Russian, trekking over the vast squares, over the splendid palaces, the Summer Palace parks, debouching from fleets of In-tourist buses, I saw one solitary hideously wicked, lid of an ice-cream carton.

I was so horrified, after litterless days, that I as near as dammit put it in my pocket, lest I sin by proximity. Yours sincerely, COLIN MACLAREN, The Old Post Office, Westbury, Northamptonshire, June 5.

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Luncheon

HM Government. The Hon George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, was host yesterday at a luncheon held at Admiralty House...

Reception

St George's Hospital Medical School. Dr Richard West, Dean of St George's Medical School...

Dinners

The Lord Chancellor, Lord Halsbury, will be the guest of honor at a dinner to celebrate the 150th anniversary of legal and general at Guildhall last night...

Marriages

Mr A. de Serpa-Leitao and Miss J. More. The marriage took place on Thursday, June 12, at St Mary the Virgin, Burton Latimer...

Elizabeth Smart

A commemorative service for Elizabeth Smart will be held at 11.30 am on Thursday, July 3...

OBITUARY PROFESSOR THOMAS BURROW Sanskrit and Dravidian studies

Professor Thomas Burrow, FBA, who died on June 8 at the age of 76, was Boden Professor of Sanskrit in the University of Oxford from 1944 to 1976...

MR HUGH KAY

Mr Hugh Kay, editor of the Jesuit publication, The Month, and a noted writer and broadcaster, died on June 14, aged 63...

MRS ANBARA SALAM al-KHALIDI

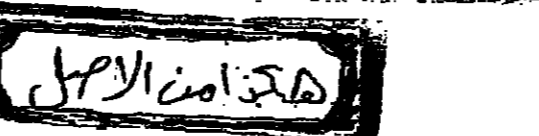
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MR D. COLVILLE

Mr David Colville, a much respected figure in the City of London, has died at the age of 76.

MILNER - On 16th June, to Louise and David, a daughter, Frances Louise...

SCIENCE REPORT
Several animal species, from big cats in the jungle to domestic animals in the street, are being used to mark out their territories...



THE ARTS

Theatre in Canada: Irving Wardle visits the Du Maurier World Stage, growing from the ashes of the ill-fated Toronto Festival, and the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake

Masterpiece of revivalism

With due respect to Ontario's Shaw and Shakespeare Festivals (both in good shape this year), they do not have much to tell you about the state of Canada. As the only classical outpost in North America, it is not their business to project a specifically Canadian voice.

First, his transformations of commonplace objects — so that a park-keeper's cabin becomes a projection-booth for Taoist silhouettes, or a slide-top table a route into the underworld. A constellation of the night sky laid out on the floor becomes a lighted city when a pilot spreads himself above it, miming his own aircraft.

set (by Cameron Porteous) consisting of superimposed circles: a stage revolve and over it a dome-like hemisphere serving as a screen for documentary projections which, say, at the death of Victoria present stills of the actual mourning procession above a stage representation of the same event.

Launched at the beginning of this month in four converted warehouses on Queen's Quay, its programme featured European work alongside Newfoundland satire, hockey drama from Edmonton and Inuit feminism from the Mackenzie River Delta.

Until the opening of Denise Coffey's *Back to Methusalem* (with one-day performances of all five plays), the main event at the Shaw Festival of Niagara-on-the-Lake is the return of Christopher Newton's acclaimed 1985 production of *Edward's Cavalade*.

In an evening of salvage operations, nothing is more astonishing than the reclamation of Jane Marryott, the archetypal well-bred British womanhood, at the hands of Nora McLellan, who — at the moment of her spouse's departure to face the foreign foe — advises him in bell-like tones to "lie down on every possible occasion".

Spanning 50 years and seven time-zones, it tells the story of two French Canadian girls and of the other lives, intimate or casual, that cross their path. The style is one of dislocated realism. Every encounter offers a moment of point-blank actuality in an existence that otherwise we know nothing about.

Taking *Cavalade* as a chapter of English history as revealed through a group of private lives, Mr Newton starts with the assumption that all those lives are of equal value; and ignores the fact that Edward is patronizing some of them.

The impression that Mr Newton has built up a crack company for the festival is strengthened by the other Niagara shows. Leon Major's production of *Arms and the Man*, for instance, gets at once to the core of the play by showing Raina (Donna Goodhand) gorging chocolates alone in her bedroom, and then introduces a magnificent frenzied Sergius (Jim Mezon) who really does seem to contain six different men fighting it out inside his ample uniform.

The production is the work of Théâtre Reperc, a company whose method is to approach ideas from the starting-point of concrete imagery. Personal stories are only incidental to the image of Canada itself — represented by a traverse acting area strewn with gravel, where the action unfolds in time and space from pre-war Quebec to contemporary Vancouver.

History, meanwhile, is inscribed on a

The festival did not strike so lucky with Ben Travers's *Banana Ridge* which, after a marvellously enraged opening scene ("I've just stuffed my wife in a taxi... That's your affair...") subsidises to the Malayan plantation of Bucket-Pissang for two acts fatally divided between farce and mild domestic comedy.

Television Serious business

One of the few non-repeats on ITV to escape the programmer's dilemma of Pattern A and Pattern B during the World Cup, *Ladies in Charge* (Thames) bowed out with Anne Baker's *All That Glitters*. Or was it a repeat after all? For the sixth week running, the gamesome threesome got themselves embroiled in a quiz assignment involving moral dubiety; for the umpteenth time, Diana's pish background was milked for irony; and, yet again, the march of history was evinced by such devices as a one-second glimpse of period headlines being used to start a fire.



Girl Crazy: Mary Trainor as the rumbustious "Frisco" Kate at Niagara-on-the-Lake

Theatre in London

Leaving Home Soho Poly

Northern family life, as I shudderingly recall it, is rich in gags about runaway males: a gutless tribe of rabbit husbands and misunderstood teenagers who slam out of the house, vowing never to return, and then come crawling back as they have forgotten their sandwiches and the night is turning a bit chilly.

Medici Quartet Elizabeth Hall

Rather much of the Medici Quartet's programme on Monday night in the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra's continuing André Previn Music Festival was pitched in different tones of melancholy. Sensibly they started with Britten's Third Quartet, his last major work, so that the haunting final movement, with its valedictory spirit and associations with *Death in Venice*, could also be enjoyed for the freshness of its musical invention.

Hilary Finch

The first is to realize that languor itself can have its charm. This he revealed in a winsomely contrived rendering of Beethoven's "Für Elise" which, in retrospect, was quite the best thing in the entire evening. It was played as one long recurring wave of half-tone, hypnotic in its patterning, fresh in its central major song.

Martin Cropper



Formal yet sociable: Daniela Bason (centre) and company in *Ancient Airs and Dances*

Dance

Celebration of generosity

Who could have guessed, when Rudolf Nureyev decided to settle in the West, that he would be celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of that momentous choice in Bradford? His presence is a tribute to the city's splendidly restored Alhambra Theatre, to the enterprise of Northern Ballet and to the complete absence of snobbery in a man to whom an audience to be entertained is equally worthwhile anywhere in the world.

formerly preferred), but his choreographs are still high and clean. More to the point, he still has a sense of this ballet's romantic style which nobody else has rivalled. That amazingly poised, rounded attitude, that long low arabesque, are signatures of his. Kirov training and also of his own individual understanding of the ballet.

With his cast of four principals and four supporting couples dressed by Charles Maude in designs after Botticelli, Corder has devised dances which add a spice of period flavour to the basic ballet technique.

Concerts

RPO/Dorati Festival Hall

Isaac Stern is not one of those violinists who could be called conservative: a week from today he is to play Peter Maxwell Davies's new Violin Concerto, especially written for him, in this very hall.

Ivo Pogorelich Barbican

It is sad, unnerving even, to watch an artist who, at the age of 28, has it seems said all there is to say. With scarcely the will to propel his body on to the stage, let alone the desire to move or be moved, Ivo Pogorelich languidly inched his way through Monday night's recital of Beethoven, Bach, Chopin and Schumann.

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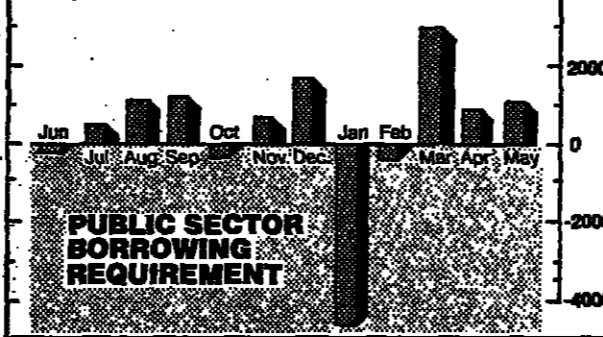
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WALL STREET

New York (Reuters) - Wall Street shares pushed higher in moderate early trading yesterday amid new indications of a weak economy.

The US Commerce Department said that housing starts fell 7.4 per cent in May, a bigger drop than expected. The latest indication of a sluggish economy raised hopes for a discount rate cut.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose six points to 1,877 shortly after the opening, trimmed its rise to 3.92 at 1,875.69 about an hour and a half later.

The transport average was up 0.62 at 787.25, with the utilities indicator up 0.33 at 189.23 and the broader 65 stocks average up 1.07 at 718.28.

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A SPECIAL REPORT ON INVESTING IN THE REGIONS

Hope in lands of despair

When a Member of Parliament for a seat in the North of England makes a speech about the "dramatic series of hammer blows experienced in recent weeks in the North-East", that looks about par for the course.

When, however, the MP turns out not only to be a Conservative, but a former Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, and to be recommending the full-blooded revival of regional economic policy, then it is an unmistakable sign of a political shift.

Yet there was Leon Brittan speaking in his constituency of Richmond, North Yorkshire, a fortnight ago. He had, he said, become increasingly persuaded that major changes in the present arrangements for regional assistance should be considered.

"The time has come," he went on, "when we should look urgently at the possibility of setting up development agencies for some of the English regions that would be comparable to the Scottish Development Agency. This would be a positive and radical initiative aimed at achieving a more effective regional policy, a task of the utmost importance."

One former Secretary of State perhaps does not make a trend. But Mr Brittan's endorsement of the Scottish Development Agency and revived regional policy came soon after Norman Tebbit, a fellow former Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, let it be known (Mr Tebbit is no slouch when it comes to briefing) that English regional agencies could well appear on the Conservative Party's manifesto for the next election.

The political benefits of revived economic regionalism — or rather, the costs of inattention to economic decline and unemployment in England — were being illustrated almost as Mr Brittan spoke.

The countdown to the closure of the Geovort tin mine at Penden, Cornwall, had already begun. On June 2 the mine closed, with the loss of 390 jobs. The "Tin Coast" between Land's End and St Ives would soon have no

active mining. By the standards of the North-East the total job loss, with tin directly employing some 1,500 people in Cornwall, would be small; but no one, least of all Cornwall's Conservative MPs, wanted to minimize the effect on the regional economy.

David Mudd, MP for Falmouth and Camborne, said the Conservative whips in the Commons could no longer count on his support. His Parliamentary neighbour David Harris MP wanted *ad hoc* assistance from the Department of Trade and Industry. It was not forthcoming and he too muttered rebellion.

No one denigrated the efforts of Cornwall County Council to support tin-mining on a temporary basis or its longer-term efforts at promoting economic development. But the scale of the structural economic decline seemed far beyond the county councillors of Truro. No wonder that in Mr Tebbit's thinking aloud a regional development agency for Devon and Cornwall was hinted at.

What Mr Tebbit did not vouchsafe was how much new public money such English regional agencies might have to spend nor how their work might interact with the plethora of geographically specific policies already mounted by government.

It was none the less a sign of the times. It had, after all, been Mr Tebbit who in December 1983 produced a Trade Department White Paper trimming eligibility for regional assistance, redrawing the map of assisted areas and cutting outlays on grants.

"The economic case for regional industrial policy today is not clear-cut," Mr Tebbit said at the time, "and the economic costs of such policies must be set against the benefits."

The remark was interpreted by some as evidence that Mr Tebbit had been defeated in Cabinet in pressing for a root and branch approach to regional industrial assistance, in which the "social case" for a policy of trying to reduce regional imbalances in employment is acknowledged.

Mr Tebbit's hints about

regional development agencies are significant in another sense, too. They carry with them a flavour of the Government's enthusiasm for direct action, centrally organized. The Scottish Development Agency is admired even by Conservative ministers who might otherwise be rather sceptical of activist quangos, because it appears to get things done.

Mr Tebbit's regional agencies would be very unlikely to have nominees from local authorities on them. They would be organs of central government — there being an obvious paradox if English regional agencies were expected to advocate on behalf of localities.

Regional policy in England has generally avoided giving regional bodies much power or much executive capacity. Lack of either characterized the regional economic planning councils established by Harold Wilson in the 1960s.

Regional economic policy has, for the most part, involved departments of central government dispensing cash and advice at arm's length.

Regional government has

Some local councils have shown they are adept at playing the grants game

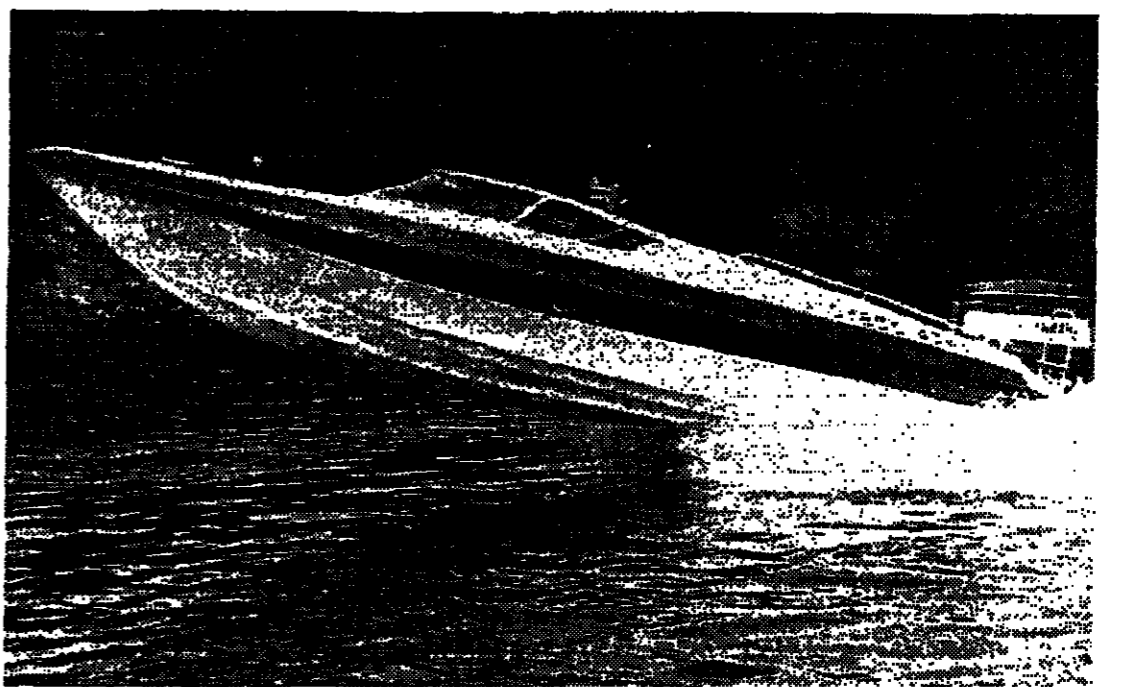
always been weak. Alone among the departments, Environment, and Trade and Industry, have senior officials based outside London.

Peter Dicken, a Manchester University geographer, calls post-war regional economic policy "carrot and stick", remarking "the juiciness of the carrot varied a good deal as did the size of the stick and the strength with which it was wielded". The donkeys to be moved were industrial firms.

The 1945 Distribution of Industry Act, for example, provided carrots in the shape of government advance factories in designated development areas together with grants and loans. The 1947 system of industrial development certificates brought a stick: all industrial projects larger than 5,000 square feet had to be sanctioned.



Fruits of NCB Enterprise: Stained-glass and boat-building businesses are among those helped, replacing jobs lost in the coal industry



The pattern of inducements and penalties remained in place for 30 years. Carrots in the 1960s included subsidies to labour movement, for example the operation of the Selective Employment Tax. Sticks were applied to office location. In the 1980s the penalties on movement have gone.

The carrots primarily are the regional development grants. These subsidize capital spending on plant and equipment in the designated development areas (as redefined by Mr Tebbit in November 1984). Economic activities

qualifying for grants used to be for manufacturing alone, but now are also available for service industries.

But regional policy has always been a misnomer. A better distinction is between policies blind to the geographical incidence of public expenditure and those which aim public money at specific areas — whether or not they are regions.

Naturally, money spent on the first category, such as shipbuilding support or defence, may come to take on a "regional" pattern. Examples of expenditure in the second category are rate support grant distributions and allocations to the inner cities or areas.

The distinction conventionally made between economic and social objectives does not always apply. The large vol-

ume of public investment in, for example, the new towns (an investment estimated by the Commission for the New Towns at £3.7 billion in England over 35 years) has simultaneously had economic and social purposes.

Victor Hausner and Professor Brian Robson, summarizing the results of a large-scale survey by the Economic and Social Research Council of inner cities, concluded: "Many policies have unintended spatial consequences which often work against the explicit aims of spatial urban policy."

Bristol provides the most dramatic example of the unintended impact of government spending in sectors such as defence and health. The area has benefited strongly from procurement policy for defence in the aerospace industry which is the main motor of the local economy.

During the 1980s cities, zones and sectors of cities became a focus for new government programmes intended to generate or sustain investment and economic activity.

The Department of the Environment, though ostensibly responsible for the physical condition of urban areas, in effect took responsibility for their social and economic well-being.

The advent of Michael Heseltine as Secretary of State for the Environment in 1979 made this explicit: the Urban Programme was redefined as an economic programme and the stimulation of economic enterprise, for example, through the Enterprise Zones was mar-

ried with the department's responsibilities for land reclamation and urban renewal. Confusion was sown.

Hausner and Robson argue in *Changing Cities* (Economic and Social Research Council, £2) that there is inconsistency between the aims of Environment Department policies to support cities, and those of the Department of Trade and Industry which are designed to sustain regions regardless of whether or not investment is channelled into cities *per se*.

"A study of government programmes in the West Midlands showed a lack of coordination between the two departments, and between both and the Manpower Services Commission with its responsibilities for skill training."

They maintain that the distribution of regional development grants has heavily favoured the outer areas of cities. The new towns, especially in the North-West, have likewise been accused of sucking population and investment from the inner areas of such cities as Liverpool. Several of the enterprise zones have, according to preliminary surveys, succeeded only in transferring employment from one part of a region to another by encouraging firms to shift in pursuit of tax reliefs.

Britain's decision to join the European Economic Community added further complexity to regional economic policy. Membership itself affected, for example, the attractiveness of location within the UK for foreign enterprises.

It also altered the position

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Jobs for thousands after steel closures

The "opportunity areas" labelled by BSC (Industry) read like a gazetteer of the first industrial revolution, when commercial smelting grew up on the coalfields of South Wales, Lanarkshire, Durham and Yorkshire. For Britain the revolution is conclusively ended: either bulk steel is no longer made, or it is in plants thousands of miles from where the ironmasters set up shop and the smelters followed.

BSC (Industry) has the job of mopping up the remnants of the industrial revolution. Established 11 years ago, when the "rationalization" of the British Steel Corporation had become inevitable, the subsidiary claims to have created 30,000 jobs in areas affected by closures.

Its package of help includes sites and workshops, factories and offices, loans and advice — not least about how to tap into the various pots of money available for business in the steel closure areas. Scunthorpe, Rotherham and Dudley all have enterprise zones; BSC (Industry) local teams promise introductions and discussion with relevant officials and money managers.

The company has pioneered the conversion of redundant buildings into small workshops. Two people who went into partnership in such a workshop, with 1,500 square feet, needed £6,000 for plant and working capital. They found a third themselves, a

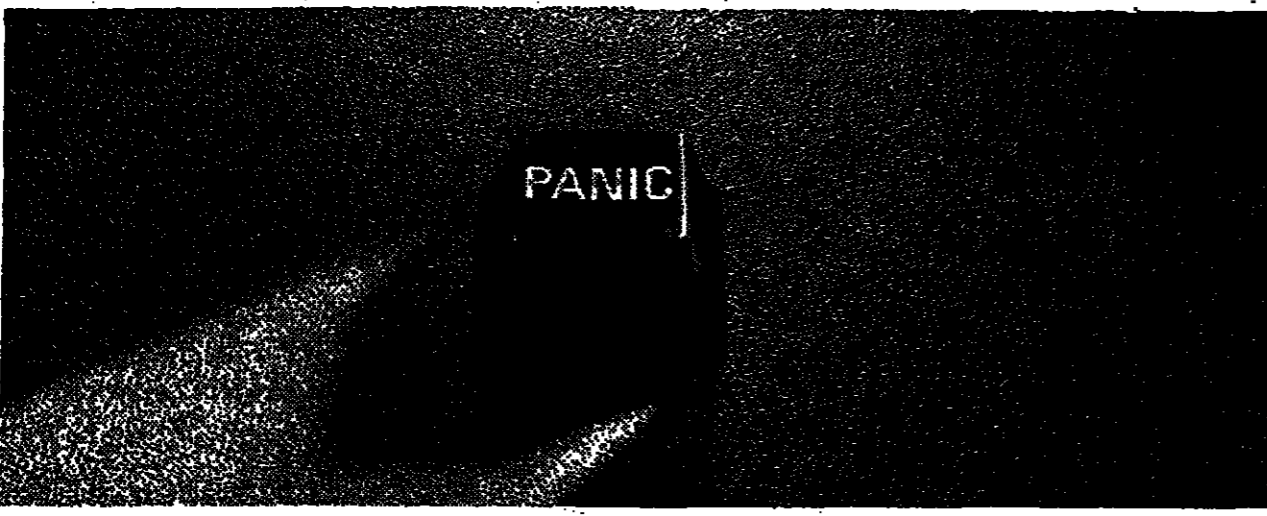
third came from a bank and BSC (Industry) lent the rest.

BSC (Industry) now has a junior cousin in such work. NCB Enterprise was launched in spring last year with £5 million from the National Coal Board (now British Coal) to create long-term job opportunities in the coalfields. Merrick Spanton, the chairman, says the aim is to replace all mining jobs lost during the present restructuring "over a reasonable period".

Like BSC (Industry) the NCB offshoot is trying to work closely with enterprise agencies, organizations which have flourished in recent years that have flowered in a local forum councils, banks, and private firms.

NCB Enterprise has expanded quickly. The Energy Secretary, Peter Walker, approved an increase in its provision to £20 million last July, and its executives are certainly bullish. They say that in its first full year of operation it has supported about 430 projects, which are expected to create 5,400 jobs.

In the North-East the company has made loans to companies in heavy engineering, frozen foods and computer software. Elsewhere it has helped set up starter workshops: the Rotherham Enterprise Agency workshop at Wash upon Dearne received a grant from it, and has let all its units.



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Scotland's image-makers

It is difficult to travel far in Scotland south of the Highland line without sighting the distinctive blue logo of a ubiquitous factory-builder, site-clearer, developer, sponsor and general refurbisher of the urban environment — the Scottish Development Agency.

Here is one piece of corporatism from Harold Wilson (now Lord Wilson) that is blessed by Conservatives; here is a holdover from the profligate 1970s that has Norman Tebbit's approval. The recent Scottish Conservative Party conference heard ringing denunciations of high taxation and state interference; but references by the Secretary of State, Malcolm Rifkind, to the agency's positive contribution to the regeneration of Scotland brought applause.

The agency is now being held up as a model. Spokesmen for the North and North-

West and other depressed English regions have long complained of the agency's potency in promoting Scotland and attracting inward investment. Now, it seems, the Government is thinking of

Springboard for Glasgow's rebirth

building regional development agencies on the same lines for them.

The Scottish Development Agency, needless to say, is extremely good at public relations. It is also the creature of a Scottish political set-up that, by the very nature of the Scottish Office and the Cabinet position of the Secretary of State for Scotland, cannot be replicated south of the border. It was established in 1975, endowed by the then Labour Secretary of State, William Ross, with a directly interven-

tionist role in industry. It was to stop businesses closing and support lame ducks. In fact, the agency's role was ambiguous. As well as industrial support, it became involved in urban renewal in Glasgow as well.

Even after the Thatcher Government reduced its capacity to take equity shares in industry the agency still has a confusing variety of purposes, from sectoral economic analyst to dockside developer, from Scotland's American public relations agent to property speculator and promoter of offshore trusts. It has an urban focus because economic development in the rural north of Scotland is the responsibility of a separate and older agency of government, the Highlands and Islands Development Board.

The agency's reputation rests, in some measure, on its work in "turning round"

Clydeside. It has participated in the £305 million Glasgow Eastern Area Renewal, the success of which has been a springboard for Glasgow's renaissance. The agency has a share in the continuing regeneration of Glasgow's shopping area in Buchanan Street, the refurbishment of Anderston on the Clyde and what, by comparison with other enterprise zones, is the success of the Clydesbank zone.

Another string to the bow is "Silicon Glen", the belt of investment in the Strathclyde, Central, Fife and Lothian regions in high tech industry. Electronics now employs 40,000 people in Scotland in 300 companies. By no means all the investment that produced this new sector is recent — companies such as IBM and Burroughs have been in Scotland since the 1950s. But Scotland is now said to have Europe's highest concentration of wafer fabrication and few of the major manufacturers of computers and semiconductors are not represented on the Scottish roster.

Alastair Macpherson, head of the agency's electronics division, has said the semiconductor industry came to Scotland because it could get the level of skill it required as well as support facilities, and access to the European market from within EEC tariff barriers.

But the agency has now set itself the task of encouraging spill-over from assembly work in electronics to product development. Great hopes rest on Wang Laboratories' \$55 million office automation plant at Stirling University which might demonstrate how inward investment can be married with Scottish applied science.

Through the Locate in Scotland campaign, run jointly with the Scottish Office, which administers grants to industry, the agency has raised Scotland's promotional profile. Scotland has its own offices in San Francisco, Chicago, Houston and New York, and Scottish MPs rebuffed the Treasury's efforts to amalgamate them with UK-wide promotional activities in the United States. The agency reported some £1.2 billion in inward foreign investment in Scotland between 1981-82 and 1984-85, together with the creation of 19,000 jobs.

Yet in the agency and in its



Dr George Mathewson, Scottish Development Agency chief executive, and Alastair Macpherson, electronics head

junior relative, the Welsh Development Agency, the emphasis is moving away from competition for the limited pool of mobile foreign capital towards stimulating indigenous sources of economic enterprise. Edward Cunningham, the agency's planning director, has referred to its role in making the Scottish economy "dynamic and vital" by, for example, mobilizing venture capital for local entrepreneurs.

This is territory the Welsh Development Agency, formed in 1976 with similar ambitions, has recently staked out for itself. In April the Cardiff Consortium was launched as "a one-stop shop for entrepreneurs in need of equity finance", in the words of David Waterstone, the Welsh

Message of hope

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of the regions in relation to the Community-wide market: the peripheral areas are even more peripheral on the European scale. On the positive side, UK regions stand to benefit from European regional policy.

The main vehicle for this is the ERDF, the Community's regional development fund. Member states submit applications to the fund, the total cost of which is shared between them. It is a moot point whether any specific grant is "new" money for the country but individual regions may secure a net benefit. Scotland, for example, has been awarded about £600 million from the fund since 1975; such local authorities as Strathclyde regional council, which has a lobbyist in Brussels, have shown themselves adept at playing the grants game.

For the Scottish and Welsh Development Agencies, the new town corporations, local authorities, the Department of Trade, the promoters of the enterprise zones, BSC (Industry) and the rest "the game" has until recently been primarily one of working to attract non-local capital to produce local jobs.

A consequence, in the North, Scotland and Ulster,

has been to reinforce structural tendencies increasing the proportion of employment provided (in manufacturing) by foreign firms and decreasing still further the regional distribution of corporate headquarters.

In the 1980s the decline of manufacturing and shrinkage in the pool of mobile capital investment in many sectors has led to a change in attitude. One of the decade's buzz words is "enterprise".

The regional agencies are trying to promote local entrepreneurship and the creation of small business as actively as they still seek inward investment. The university-linked science park has become a symbol of attempts to generate economic activity from indigenous sources.

Having gone through its hour of trial at the hands of Sir Keith Joseph, Mr Tebbit and then Mr Brittan, regional policy still occupies considerable space in the Department of Trade's budgeting, even though holding only half the value in cash terms this year that it had in 1980-81.

But since the 1986 public expenditure White Paper was published, Geovor has closed and the price of North Sea oil has fallen and British shipbuilding has shed thousands of workers. In the words of Mr Brittan it is "our right and our duty to ask again whether we can do more to help."

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The Cardiff Consortium links the agency's funds with money from such City funds as Charterhouse Japhet and Citicorp Venture Capital to provide, within a Welsh envelope, backing for risk-takers.

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The rumbles from the right

When it comes to criticism of capitalism for failing the regions, the trenchant voices have, at least in recent years, been on the right rather than the left of politics.

Decisions taken in the boardrooms of the City of London need take no account of the profound, sometimes devastating impact on a local community. Many of the new-style industrial and commercial landlords are absentees. Those taking the big decisions rarely live in the local community. Few have a sense of responsibility for the community in whose area they take operational decisions.

The words come from Michael Heseltine, erstwhile minister for Merseyside. As he wrote in a celebrated memo to the Prime Minister after the Toxteth riots in 1981, "it took a riot to awaken London politicians to the decay of Britain's urban centres, but once awakened, there was much that could be done."

Mr Heseltine's tenure at the Department of the Environment from 1979 to 1983 saw the department's "regional" and economic responsibilities enhanced—to the point where it was in direct competition with the Department of Trade and Industry as the ministry symbolically responsible for the regional economies. In the aftermath of the riots new initiatives streamed out of the Department of the Environ-

ment in profusion to add to existing novelties such as the docklands development corporations and the enterprise zones.

Mr Heseltine, like many visitors to the United States, returned impressed by the co-operation between public and private sectors that had regenerated downtown areas in Baltimore and Boston.

The resulting policy innovation was the Urban Development Action Grant. Special grants were needed, in Mr Heseltine's words, "to encourage imaginative projects to come forward".

But Urban Development Grants, as the British variant was known, required co-operation between private sector and local authority and between town hall and Whitehall. Events in Liverpool demonstrate how difficult this can be. A recent strand of thinking among civil servants and ministers has favoured more directly interventionist programmes, with central government itself adjudicating business schemes.

With some fanfare the Government two years ago unveiled new City Action Teams in five inner areas, including Liverpool, Manchester and Newcastle upon Tyne. Their aim was better targeting of available pockets of government money—training grants from the Department of Employment, money to refurbish

older buildings from English Heritage, Department of Trade and Industry advice and support for business, the Youth Training Scheme run by the Manpower Services Commission, derelict land grants and so on.

But even these teams are regarded by some as too weak an agent of government purpose. Only last week a study commissioned by local authorities in Cleveland from Graham Moss Associates argued for an urban development corporation to tackle the county's problems of road construction, land reclamation and investment management.

Not all analysts of urban decline think more government is the right answer. On behalf of the National Council of Building Materials Producers, Harry Cowie surveyed the American scene and concluded that freedom from restrictions was needed in downtown areas to promote comprehensive redevelopment. This chimes with recent White Papers published by Lord Young, Secretary of State for Employment, whose theme is "lifting the burden" of regulation from businesses.

His criticisms identify town and country planning law, barriers to physical development of buildings and sites, restrictions on employment for the sake of sex equality, protections for workers.

The left brings a sense of purpose

"What will happen to support for industry?" Some kind of victory for socialism was represented by the very fact that that question was put in the pamphlet brought out last year by the Department of the Environment to explain what would happen after the abolition of the Greater London and the metropolitan councils.

For years councils have had powers to promote their areas and support industry. But it was the "new municipal left" that came to power in the early 1980s that brought into local government a new, purposive set of ideas about how the municipal machine could be used to restructure local economies.

It is often forgotten that the attempt to cut London's fares that brought Ken Livingstone and colleagues before the courts was the central element in an economic strategy for the capital carefully worked out before the Labour left took control of the GLC in 1981.

That strategy was for Labour local authorities not merely to promote economic development (by building factories or making loans or signing the local area's praises in newspaper advertisements).

It was for the council also to take an equity stake in companies and to act as an entrepreneur and financier. Councillors and officials had realized that sections 137 and 142 of the 1972 Local Government Act empowered them to assist economic enterprise in various ways; and in the 1980s the GLC, the West Midlands and other metropolitan counties discovered that their economic role could be expanded.



Pressing forward: Clothing manufacturers E.R. Hammersley, a West Midlands Enterprise Board success by, for example, channelling pension and loan funds into investment projects.

The West Midlands Enterprise Board is one of the most successful examples of the new breed. Its leading light is a Birmingham Labour councillor, Geoff Edge. The analysis begins with the striking growth in unemployment in the West Midlands—from 6 per cent in 1979 to more than 15 per cent in 1985—job losses and the decline in staple manufactures.

The West Midlands has become unattractive to institutional investors. Its stock of capital equipment is becoming antiquated. Government support has not been forthcoming for a region still not recognized as depressed on the official indices. Apprenticeship schemes have shut down and the workforce is losing its traditional skills.

"Problems of this magnitude cannot be dismissed as a temporary feature of recession," Mr Edge said to the board's directors in January. "The regeneration of the

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Cooperative Development Agency. Receives a grant in aid to promote co-operative enterprises.

Small Firms Loan Guarantee Scheme: Under the Department of Employment's aegis guarantees certain loans to small firms.

Employment Transfer Scheme: Helps employers by paying for unemployed people to move to jobs when they would not otherwise do so.

Development Commission: Promotes the economic and social development of English rural areas by, for example, building factories and workshops. The commission's agency for helping small firms, the Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas, provides a programme of advice and financial assistance.

Northern Ireland Industrial Development Board, a general programme of assistance to develop business in Ulster. The Local Enterprise Development Unit promotes small business.

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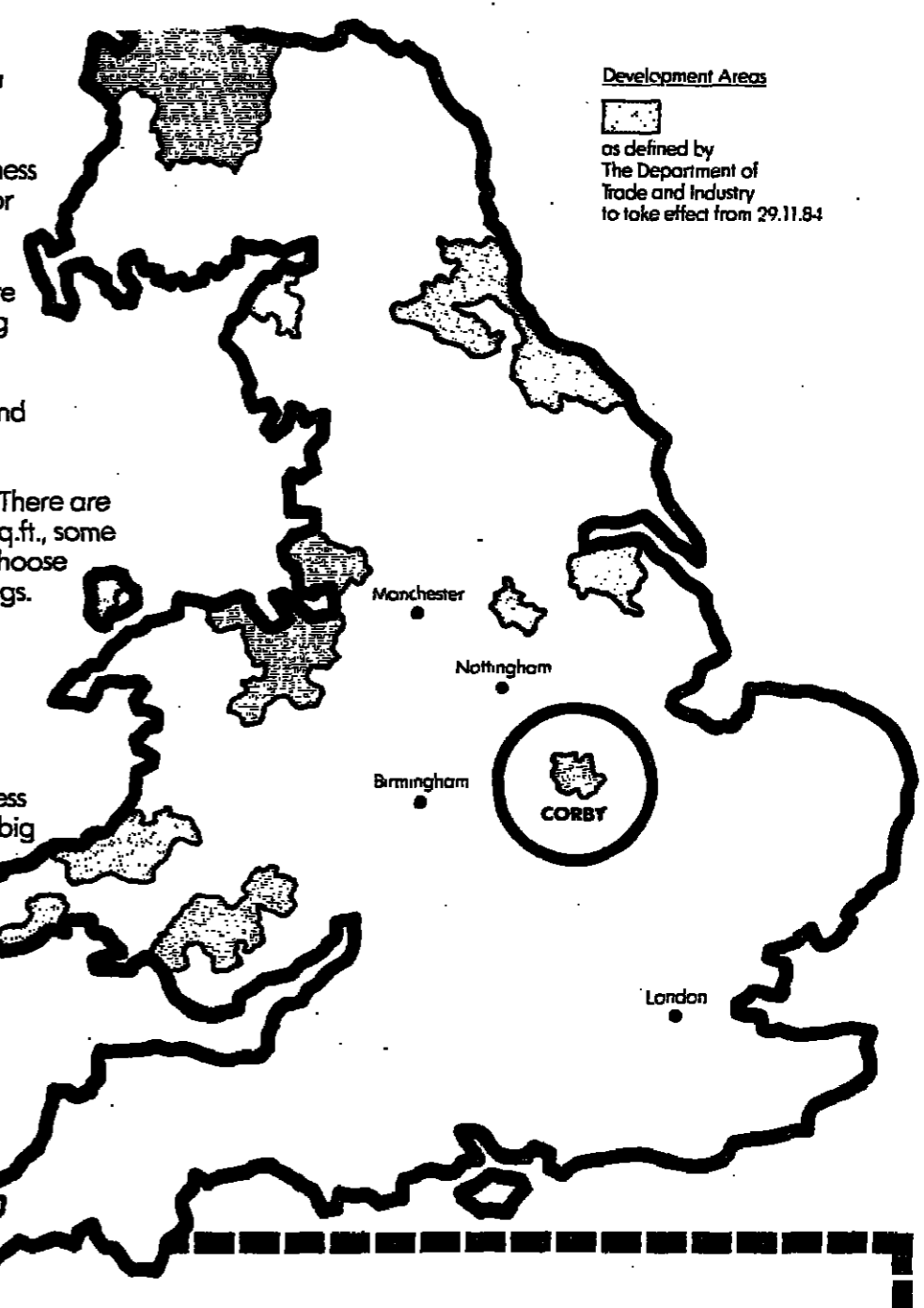
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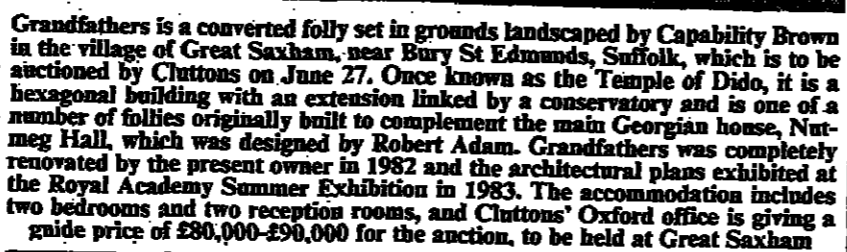
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The report is the third by Dr Malcolm Parry and Dr Stephen Baker, who in 1983 estimated the size of the market at between 250,000 and 400,000...

Dr Parry said the present rate of development represented a £450 million market for the house-builders...

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Looking at what has been provided so far, they say that existing sheltered housing for sale is primarily suitable only for the active elderly...

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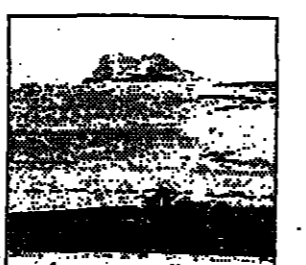
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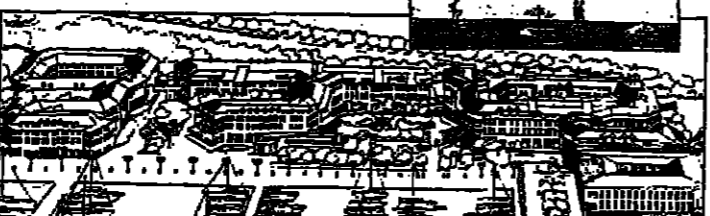
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TRAINERS: H Cecil, 31 winners from 118 runners, 26.7%; G Harwood from 136, 27.2%; P Hillier, 27, 22.2%...

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BEVERLEY
TRAINERS: H Thomson Jones, 12 winners from 36 runners, 33.3%; E Waynes, 11 from 57, 19.3%; M H Eastbury, 24 from 170, 14.1%...

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3.05 ROSE DAUGHTER (D) T Barton 9-1...

Beverly selections

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2.15 Bad Payer, 2.45 The Mechanic, 3.10 Coynage, 3.40 Patchburg, 4.10 Sobail, 4.40 Sparsholt...

4.20 CORONATION STAKES (Group 1) £24,694 (1m) (7)

2.11-4.20 SONIC LADY (D) (W) Du Puy 8-1, 2.25, good to soft...

4.55 QUEEN'S VASE (21st, 070: 2m) (13)

2.55-4.55 AYRES ROCK (D) (W) Du Puy 8-1, 2.25, good to soft...

5.30 BESSBOROUGH HANDICAP (E10,051: 1m 4f) (15)

6.01-5.30 EFFROY (D) (W) Du Puy 8-1, 2.25, good to soft...

6.30 COVENTRY STAKES (Group 2) £24,000 (2m 4f)

6.30-6.30 CUTTING BLADE b.c. Sharnon, Lady of the Court...

6.30 HUNSLEY BEACON MAIDEN STAKES (E1,414: 1m 4f)

2.40-6.30 JIMMY COTTON (D) (W) Du Puy 8-1, 2.25, good to soft...

Blinkered first time

ROYAL ASCOT: 2.30 Jazz Musician, 3.45 Sonica, 4.20 Patchburg, 4.40 Frey On...

Law Court gains verdict

Hefin Jones made the 700-mile round trip from South Wales to see his Law Court land the Brick Ponds Handicap at Thirk...

Double blow for Horgan

Com Horgan, the Wokingham trainer, has been hit by injuries to his stable stars Hollow Hand and Mango...

Yesterday's results from Thirk

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Official Scratchings

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Davalle and Elizabeth Larard

BBC 1
9.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, travel and sports highlights.

TV-AM
6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen.



Quentin Crisp: Box Extra, on Channel 4 at 3.30pm

CHOICE
episodes and, except for odd moments of silliness in last week's story about a new wonder drug, and the excessive irony with which sexually transmitted diseases are treated in tonight's episode, I have found much to admire in the writing of A Very Peculiar Practice, and particularly in every one of the performances.

BBC 2
6.55 Open University. Technology: Return to Base. Ends at 7.20

CHANNEL 4
2.15 The Lordships' House. A repeat of last night's highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords.

Radio 4
On long wave, VHF variations at end 5.55 Shipping, 6.00 News briefing, 6.25 Prayer, 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.25, 9.25, 10.25, 11.25, 12.25

8.05 Concert (cont), Joyce (Symphony No 6), Boyce (Suite with Michael Peppi, recorder), Scarlatti (Sonatas in G sharp minor, K 247 and in A minor, K 105-Weissenberg, piano), Mussorgsky (Night on a bare mountain), 100 News

11.00 Smetana Sings Quartet (Mozart, Schubert, Brahms, K 428) and Martyn (Quartet No 4 in F minor, Op 52)

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